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Karris, left, chats with Rosemary Dyson, assistant executive director of ELCA Multicultural Ministries, during 2007 Churchwide Assembly of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America.

From the Editor

Dear Readers:

Wartburg alumni make a difference. In many cases, we came to Wartburg hoping to help others, regardless of our career paths. Upon graduation, our educational and co-curricular experiences enabled us to use knowledge in service to others.

Through civic and community engagement, compassion and action, we make small and large communities better. Whether your time is spent volunteering in your church or on behalf of a global charity, the effect is important and essential. But more than that, these experiences enrich our lives beyond measure.

As we celebrate Civic & Community Engagement on campus during 2007-08, I have been impressed by all you do in your communities. Just check out *Knights in the News* for a glimpse of your work! This issue shows how alumni are actively engaged.

In this issue, you'll see our faculty, staff and students, too, are busy! My colleagues are further evidence. **Lori Guhl Poehler '75**, creative services manager, is an active leader in her church and plays flute and piccolo in the Wartburg Community Symphony. Graphic designer **Lori Wallace** is an amazing artist. **Saul Shapiro**, assistant vice president for advancement, is an adjunct Wartburg instructor. **Mark Adkins '90** does freelance sports work for various media outlets. Likewise, I serve as vice chair of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America's program committee for Multicultural Ministries. And in August, Gov.



Chet Culver appointed me to Generation Iowa, a commission that works to create a statewide "brain gain." Each of us has learned that these roles intersect with and improve our work for Wartburg.

The same is true for other faculty and staff members. Professors

like Dr. Tammy Faux relate outside work to classroom lessons (page 2). As an organic farmer, Tammy teaches students real world lessons about hunger justice and equity. Meanwhile, Professor Paul Magnall's family shares its story on page 6. For more than 20 years, they have served as foster parents to at-risk children. In addition, pages 7 and 8 introduce two alumni families with strong—and broad—Wartburg legacies.

I remain in your service and open to your calls, letters and e-mails.

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On the cover:

Dr. Tammy Faux, assistant professor of social work, often links the social justice aspects of organic farming to her classroom work. She and her husband, Rob, raise a variety of vegetables for local farmers markets, as well as free-range turkeys and chickens.

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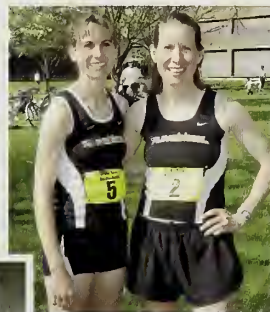
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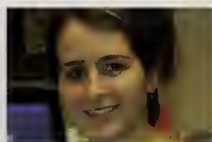
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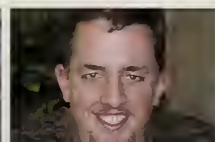
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Faux real: Couple plants seeds in classroom, at home



Drs. Rob and Tammy Faux raise a variety of wildflowers on their organic farm west of Tripoli, Iowa, and have 5-plus acres of organic vegetables.

by Karris Golden '98

Do you know where the lettuce in your salad came from? What about the tomatoes? And those cucumbers?

Saying the produce is simply "from the store" isn't good enough for Drs. Tammy and Rob Faux (pronounced "fox"). At mealtime, these organic farmers serve up pesticide-free veggies and an education about issues related to ecology and social justice.

Organic farming was a hobby that turned into a community-based business for the Fauxes. After raising flowers using organic methods, the Fauxes bought an acreage west of Tripoli, Iowa, and expanded to vegetable farming.

In summer 2004, they committed to expanding their organic farming enterprise to include myriad varieties of tomatoes, bell peppers, squashes and other produce. Today, they run Genuine Faux Farms and raise a vast array of vegetables and free-range turkeys and chickens.

"We typically start lettuce, radishes, spinach and peas in early April," explained Tammy, assistant professor of social work. "We don't use any chemical pesticides, fertilizers or herbicides. It's hard



Dr. Tammy Faux pulls weeds growing near one of her many rows of bell peppers.

Photos by Karris Golden



Turkeys at Genuine Faux Farms roam an open patch together, playing with one another and munching mulberries from a group of nearby bushes.

“If you consume locally produced food, you cut down on the use of fossil fuels that were used to transport it. You cut down on the times it has to change hands. And if it’s local, it probably tastes better, because it was picked when it was ripe.”

– Dr. Tammy Faux

work; it means pulling weeds by hand, ... and sometimes we lose some of the crops. Deer are one of our worst enemies! We do a lot of research to find things that will protect the crops naturally.”

A less back-breaking method of pest management is called “companion planting,” explained Rob, senior lecturer in mathematics. “We plant potatoes and beans next to each other. The bean beetles don’t like potatoes, and the beans repel potato beetles.”

The mission of Genuine Faux Farms is: “We believe in the importance of being good stewards of our environment and good citizens of our community. We strive to work in harmony with nature to produce good-tasting foods (using no pesticides, herbicides or chemical fertilizers) to support the health of our neighbors and our local economy.

“Through Community Supported Agriculture, we seek to build enduring partnerships with shareholders. We hope to support our community’s need to access fresh food and local products and to provide an alternative to long-distance food distribution and to reduce potentially destructive land use practices.”

It’s a mission Tammy takes into the classroom. “How we get our food and where we get it from is a social issue,” she said, noting that much of the produce consumed in the United States travels at least 1,500 miles and is often imported. “If you consume locally produced food, you cut down on the use of fossil fuels that were used to transport it. You cut down on the times it has to change hands. And if it’s local, it probably tastes better, because it was picked when it was ripe, whereas the produce you often get in grocery stores ripens on a truck.”

The Fauxes rely on organic methods to ensure the food they eat and sell doesn’t contain harmful chemicals. They also are interested in dramatically cutting the distance food travels from producer to market to your fork.

The couple eschews genetically modified and hybridized vegetables as well. “People have actually become used to caring about what tomatoes look like more than about what they taste like,” Tammy said. “They want a perfect, round, red tomato with no blemishes, and they don’t care if it doesn’t have any flavor.”

The Fauxes sell produce at farmers’ markets in northeast Iowa and through a community supported agricultural (CSA) program, which several Wartburg faculty and staff members belong to.

CSA program members purchase a share in the season’s crops. Each week, the Fauxes deliver members their share of the crops harvested that week. Members also understand that if the crops don’t fare well, dividends will be smaller.

CSA deliveries begin as early as late May, and the amount of produce increases as more crops come in. Delivery for the year ceases in mid-October.

Genuine Faux Farms is partially certified organic farm, which requires compliance with several regulations. They will gain full organic certification in 2009, when all of their fields have been out of conventional production for at least three years.

For more information and recipes, go to www.thefauxden.net/GFF/index.html.

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Consulting enhances classroom experiences



Dr. William Withers regularly travels throughout the United States to make presentations and provide training in quality customer service.

When Dr. William Withers tells his students what it takes to become top-notch public relations professionals, he draws on a wealth of ongoing “real world” experiences.

Withers, Grant L. Price Chair in Communication Arts, associate professor of communication arts and assistant director of Wartburg’s Institute for Leadership Education, specializes in the areas of public relations, quality customer service, organizational change and leadership. He came to the college in 1998 after several years in business management.

With primary responsibilities for teaching public relations and leadership courses, Withers said his off-campus consulting and training facilitation enhances his teaching.

Earlier this year, he accepted a permanent appointment to the advisory committee of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America’s Communication Services unit. In this capacity, he attends regular meetings, advises the ELCA’s communication initiatives and helps plan future projects.

Withers also serves as a member of the Leadership Iowa board of governors, and the National Security Seminar. In addition, he has worked on leadership development and long-range planning for local, regional, national and international corporations and nonprofit groups. He is a member of the Waverly-Shell Rock High School Fan and Fundraising Committee, secretary of the Nazareth Lutheran Church Council in Cedar Falls and serves on the Waverly Area Development Group board.

— Karris Golden

Traetow offers spiritual care

Kathy Traetow doesn’t usually tell people she’s a night chaplain at Allen Hospital in Waterloo, Iowa.

“Sometimes people treat me differently when they find out,” said Traetow, office coordinator for Global and Multicultural Studies. “Being a night chaplain doesn’t change who I am. It’s just something I like to do for others; it’s my way of giving back.”

As a volunteer night chaplain and spiritual care provider, Traetow spends one to two evenings per month at the hospital. While there, she is on call to respond to emergencies and visit with patients in need of spiritual care.

In addition, Traetow takes communion to two homebound members of Nazareth Lutheran Church in Cedar Falls, Iowa. She has also served as an international friendship host for Wartburg international students for the past 12 years.

— Karris Golden



Kathy Traetow in the Allen Hospital Chapel

Up the 'Ladder:' Student makes every step count

by Kayla Becker '08

It started as nothing—passion and an idea.

The idea was to make a positive difference in the city of Chicago. Two individuals joined that idea with the passion to turn a dream into a reality.

Jarrett Williams '10, of Chicago, and his friend, Kyle Kenan, a student at Morehouse College in Atlanta, Ga., developed Ladders Organization to connect talented college students with children in Chicago.

"Once the seed was planted, it began to germinate inside me to the point where I had to make a move," said Williams.

Williams developed the program and recruited five of his high school classmates to assist with the program.

"(Ladders) is 100 percent student-run, organized and planned," said Williams. "We did everything

you would do to run a business; we contacted individuals, advertised, collected receipts and money and bought supplies." Staffers hope to help children discover their potential. They also want to be positive role models for Ladders participants. For example, Williams is a

member of the Wartburg men's basketball team and a resident assistant,

nationally ranked chess player and vice president of Black Student Union.

"We would like to share some of our privileges we had in our individual lives with the next generation of children," said Williams.

For more information on Ladders Organization, e-mail makingeverystepcount@yahoo.com.



Jarrett Williams '10

On average, 10 children participated in the program during summer 2007 on a weekly basis, continuously drawing new children. The ratio of staff to participants averaged one to two.

Ladders Summer Enrichment Program is organized like a high school, and English, creative writing, math, science and public speaking are taught. The program ran nine weeks on Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. last summer. It is open to students in third through ninth grades.

In addition, Ladders focuses on a variety of topics, such as handling social issues/conflicts; becoming more outgoing; flexibility with students and parents; helping students catch up or get ahead in their academic work; problem solving; and working with students at their level, not age or grade.

Becker is an English major from Jesup, Iowa.

A sampling of the volunteer work of faculty and staff:

FACULTY

The Rev. Bonita Bock: Capitol Hill United Ministry (Denver, Colo.) board secretary; Hunger for Justice board member

Dr. Chip Bouzard: president of the Waverly Childcare and Preschool Board; chair of the St. Paul Lutheran Church (Waverly) Education Board

Cliff Brockman: Member of praise band at Orchard Hill Church (Cedar Falls, Iowa)

Kim Folkers: Board of Trustees and board secretary for Augsburg Fortress Publishers; First National Bank executive committee and board member

Dr. Johanna Foster: Wartburg Community Symphony Orchestra volunteer; adviser to Waverly Health Center Rooftop Garden project

Dr. Judy Griffith: Volunteer coordinator for the College Hill Arts Festival (Cedar Falls, Iowa); grant writer for Habitat for Humanity

The Rev. Dr. Kathryn Kleinhans: member of ELCA Vocation and Education Program Committee; former member of the American Academy of Religion's Academic Relations Task Force

Kathryn Koob '60: Board member for Aspire, a therapeutic horse-back riding group; Wartburg Community Symphony Orchestra board chair

Dr. Lake Lambert III: Chair of the Waverly Planning and Zoning Commission; member of the St. Paul Lutheran Church (Waverly) discipleship board

Dr. Jennifer Larson: counselor for Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints; music director for a theatre company

Karen Lehmann: Member of the Waverly-Eisenach Sister City executive board; volunteer costumer for Waverly-Shell Rock High School musicals

Dr. Terry Lindell: Bremer County Historical Society Board of Directors member; member of the Waverly Historic Preservation Commission

Dr. Sonja Lynch: St. Paul Lutheran Church (Waverly) Worship Board member; member of the Sons of Norway

Dr. Diane McCarty: Reader for the blind; member and chair of a National Council for Social Studies committee

Kimberly Babcock Mashek '01: member of Web site redesign taskforce for the American Library Association; volunteer for American Association of University Women

Dr. Susan Meyeraan: Project coordinator for Barnabas Uplift, a Cedar Valley, Iowa, based program; former Lutheran Campus Ministry board member

Kelvin Schuchart: Volunteer for Habitat for Humanity; member and officer for the National Education Association

Monica Severson: NCAA softball committee member; Waverly Country Club board member

Dr. Suzanne Torkelson '77: West Central Commissioner for Music Teachers of North America National Certification Commission; director of Iowa School of Music

Dr. Susan Kosche Vallem '66: chair of Waverly Health Center Board of Trustees; chair-elect of the Hawkeye Chapter of the American Red Cross (Waterloo, Iowa)

STAFF

Cindy Carlson: member of the Waverly-Shell Rock Schools Wellness Policy Committee; president of the Waverly-Shell Rock High School Booster Club

Renee Clark '04: Board chair for Waverly/Bremer Tourism; industry chair for Waverly United Way

Jo Dorrance: Secretary for the Iowa Association of Internships and Coop Education; Waverly-Shell Rock High School volunteer and committee chair

Sandra Hansen '00: Board member of Cedar Valley (Iowa) Friends of the Family; Iowa Commission on Volunteer Service commissioner

Kendra Kehe '99: Records director for Bremer Country Thrivent board; member of Project LEAD

Mary Kunkle: bus driver for Cedar Falls (Iowa) First United Methodist Church; parent volunteer for Cedar Falls Community Schools

Paula Michel: Volunteer for Relay for Life and Bremwood Lutheran Children's Home

Carol Mittelstadt '88: Volunteers at several area elementary schools; volunteer at St. Mary's Catholic Parish (Waverly)

Linda Moeller '66: Waverly Light & Power Board of Trustees; Habitat for Humanity steering committee member

Julie Paladino: religious education teacher/faith formation activity leaders at St. Mary's Catholic Parish (Waverly)

Mary Ver Steegt: Concessions manager/buyer for Janesville Wildcats Boosters; 4-H leader; children's music leader for Redeemer Lutheran Church (Waverly) children

Gary Wipperman '76: member of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America Church Council; volunteer for the Bremer County Democratic Party

Making a contribution, one child at a time

by Kayla Becker '08

More than 20 years ago, an evening newscast changed the lives of Paul and Nancy Magnall.

While watching KWWL-TV anchor Ron Steele's "Iowa's Child," Nancy discovered a way to help the community and stay home with her two children.

Two decades later, she and Paul, associate professor of business, have offered a foster home to more than 150 children. Nancy is an adoption information specialist for the Iowa Foster and Adoptive Parents Association.

After becoming certified foster and adoptive parents, the Magnalls began welcoming kids, specifically medically fragile children.

Between taking the children to their various appointments and working, the Magnalls are quite busy. "Life can be pretty chaotic," Nancy admitted with a smile. "You don't have much of a social life. Wartburg has been flexible in (Paul's) schedule. He has been able to take the children to appointments when I am out of town or with another child. We have an equal partnership."

In addition to Nancy's work, she has written several booklets on medication management and helping adopted children succeed in school.

Paul and Nancy hope their commitment to being foster and adoptive parents has helped their biological children, now grown, become better and more compassionate adults.

The Magnalls have learned a lot from their experiences. "I think we all come in with the idea that we need to rescue these children, but with help these parents become better parents—good parents," Nancy said.

Some children have stayed with them as little as four hours, while others as long as three years. Some are weeks old, while others are nearing their 18th birthdays. "The last time we had a month without the placement of a new child was in the early 1990s," said Paul.

“I think we all come in with the idea that we need to rescue these children, but with help these parents become better parents—good parents.”

– Nancy Magnall

In the past 20 years, the Magnalls have adopted one child, Andrew, who came to them as an infant. The majority of children returned to their original homes.

Emotions are mixed when a child leaves. "Each situation is different, and the feelings can range from a sense of relief if the child has been particularly difficult, to feelings of happiness for a child who has been waiting for an adoptive family, to satisfaction when we have successfully helped a child transition back to their birthparents," said Nancy. "Of course, no matter what the situation, there are always some feelings of sadness and loss when you say goodbye to a child you have cared for and who has been part of your family."

The Magnalls have stayed in contact with some of the children for whom they cared. "I think it is really neat to maintain the relationships (with the foster children). We've met for play dates ... gone to weddings and graduations. We are 'foster grandparents.'"

She recently received a call from an adult who was once in their care. "She told me that I taught her how to be a mom," said Nancy. "Paul and I didn't know if we had made a difference or not, but we did. Sometimes, regardless of how you feel, you make a bigger difference than you realize."

Becker is an English major from Jesup, Iowa.



In the last 20 years, Nancy and Paul Magnall have been foster parents to more than 150 children.

Photo by Kayla Becker

Dettmers woven into Wartburg tapestry

When the 31 descendents of Arline and the late Fred Dettmer gather for a reunion, it could double as an Outfly picnic.

Arline, of Waverly, Iowa, is the matriarch of a clan that includes 13 Wartburg graduates and a host of threads woven through the Wartburg tapestry.

Two of the Arline's four children, the Rev. Tom Dettmer '69 and John Dettmer '75, graduated from Wartburg. Daughter Joyce Dettmer Harms married Richard Harms '64. Another daughter, the late Marjorie Dettmer Brooks, once worked in the Controller's Office and sent her two children to Wartburg.

Joyce, of Tripoli, Iowa, remembers attending events at Wartburg as a child. She and Richard have two children: Penelope Sue Harms Hoeper '86 of Waverly, and Steven Harms '88 of West Des Moines, Iowa.

"I always knew I would go to Wartburg," says Penny, who met her husband, Allen Hoeper '86, and most of her best friends at college.

Steve Harms married into another Wartburg family. His wife, Jacqueline Smith Harms '91, is the daughter of Stephen '64 and Carolyn Hanna '65 Smith of Cedar Rapids, Iowa. Steve and Jacqueline live in West Des Moines, Iowa.

Tom Dettmer was originally headed for the U.S. Military Academy at West Point, N.Y. A minor medical abnormality led him to Wartburg instead.

"I started as a mathematics major and took New Testament Greek as my foreign language. I loved the Greek and decided to go to seminary, so I switched to history major and Greek minor," says Tom, who is now a pastor at Bethany Lutheran Church in Spencer, Iowa.

Although Tom and his wife, Rebecca, didn't pressure their sons to attend Wartburg, they took them to campus for occasional visits and events. Both sons are now alumni. Tom is thankful for the education they received and also for "the great daughters-in-law my sons brought home from Wartburg."

Dr. Timothy '96 and Carol Kentopp '96 Dettmer live in Mason City, Iowa. Wartburg helped connect them



The Dettmer family posed for this photo at its annual Thanksgiving-Christmas gathering in 2006. They are; from left to right: (back) Dick Brooks; Dick Harms '64; Tom Dettmer '69; Arline Dettmer; John Dettmer; Becky Dettmer; Donita Dettmer; Allen Hoeper '86; (third row) Daniel Dettmer; Roger Hoeper; Patti Brooks '96; Penny Hoeper '86; Matt Dettmer '99; Abby Dettmer '01; Lori Brandau-Brooks '93; Ben Brooks; Jack Brooks; Rick Brooks '92; (second row) Michael Hoeper; Noah Dettmer; Luke Dettmer; Lauren Dettmer; Joyce Harms; Hailey Dettmer; Steve Harms '88; Jacqueline Harms '91; (front) Carol Dettmer '96, Miriam Dettmer; and Adam Dettmer.

to a bigger world, they say. Both traveled as students—Tim to Guyana and Europe and Carol to New York City, Mexico, Europe and Wartburg West.

"We feel that Wartburg strives to relate to a global society, though tucked in Iowa," Carol says.

While Carol is the only alumna from her family, she's thankful her children are surrounded by the Dettmer alumni. "I would love to know some of the Dettmer youngsters will continue the great traditions at Wartburg College."

Matthew Dettmer '99 and Dr. Abby Nipp '01 Dettmer also live in Mason City. John Dettmer '75 and his wife, Donita, live in Waverly.

Rick Brooks '92 of Johnston, Iowa, son of Richard and Marjorie Dettmer Brooks, says going to college in his hometown was a good experience. "I always tell people that when I was at Wartburg, I had no idea I was in Waverly," he says.

He jokes that his sister, Patti Brooks '96 of Chicago, Ill., went to Wartburg "because she always has to do what I do." Rick married Lori Brandau '93, whose alumni family includes her father, James Brandau '71, and uncles Tim Tower '63 and Michael Tower '66.

— Linda Stull Moeller '66

Born to Run

Friedman, Moeller keep Olympic dreams alive

by Mark Adkins '90

With every race, former Wartburg College cross country and track and field standouts Erin Ries Moeller '00 and Robyn Olson Friedman '95 take a step toward goals.

They do so individually and in many cases, as a team.

The major goal the two have is to take a shot at the U.S. Olympic Marathon Trials this April. Both qualified for the trials'—women's marathon, which will be hosted by the Boston Athletic Association April 20. They've each hit the B standard of 2:47, with Moeller striking the mark during her victory at the Green Bay in a time of two hours, 40 minutes, and Friedman doing so with a 2:42 clocking while claiming the Des Moines Marathon title.

Due to good finishes at recent marathons—Moeller at the Twin Cities Marathon and Friedman in Chicago, the pair will have all expenses paid when they go to the trials. Although they are already going to make the trip in April with their B standard efforts, hitting the higher A standard time slot of 2:39 qualifies each for the elite group of the trials.

Both are poised for success. Friedman already owns the championships of the Des Moines Marathon, Park to Park, Dam to Dam, and Clive Running Festival events and strong finishes at the Drake Relays half-marathon and Alliant 8K Energy races.

Moeller's credentials are just as impressive with the Green Bay title (making the final lap around historic Lambeau Field for good measure), the Drake Relays half-marathon title, and solid outings at the always-popular Bix race in the Quad Cities and the Park to Park event.

"We're both close to the higher B standard time," Friedman said. "We've been going back and forth times-wise in our recent races. It's neat to have someone like Erin out there, pushing myself and herself to do our best."

"Robyn is an amazing runner and great friend," Moeller agreed. "It is indeed a special opportunity to be able to compete in these events with her."

While realizing the odds of making the Olympic team for the Beijing Games this summer will be tough, it's another goal to add to their list.



Erin Ries Moeller '95 and Robyn Olson Friedman '00 pose for a photo after competing in the Drake Relays half marathon in early April. Moeller captured the title, part of a strong showing for the duo in the Des Moines, Iowa, area, while Friedman won the Des Moines Marathon women's title.

Submitted photo

"Life is all about making goals," Moeller said. "Those things drive me to be a better all-around individual all the time. It may be a tough mark to reach, but it's out there."

"There would be a remarkable field of athletes at the trials," said Friedman, who will make her second successive appearance at the event. "It would be great to just compete against them again, and there is always an opportunity to drop a personal time down."

Their passion for running has spilled over into their family lives as well.

"It was important for me to keep running," Friedman said. "It's such a big part of our family. My husband, Bryan '94, and I probably aren't your typical husband and wife. We don't do the average date of a movie or so forth. When we have our date nights, we usually put in a few miles of running. It helps us stay connected, as we talk throughout the run."

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– Erin Ries Moeller '95

Despite being in competition on the race course, the friendship they've built in and out of college led to the two pursuing some team goals. Understanding the need for women's running to continue to grow in Iowa, they were part of the founding group of Iowa's Run Ablaze, a Des Moines-based elite female road racing/marathon group.

"This isn't just a group of women who might want to run a road race here or there," Friedman said. "We've got some elite athletes competing to get toward the big events. Our membership includes Christy Nielsen, also an Olympic Marathon Trials qualifier, Casey Owens, a qualifier for the U.S. Olympic Track and Field Team Trials in the 5,000 and 10,000, fellow Wartburg alumna Laura Max '99 and other top-notch runners."

Friedman and Moeller noted that other women interested in continuing their long-distance running careers can check out Iowa's Run Ablaze club at www.runablaze.com.

Their group recently made its mark on a race in the Cedar Valley area, taking several of its members to the Park to Park event in Waterloo the weekend of Sept. 8. It also plans to put a team together for next summer's Des Moines race as well as sending a group to the U.S.A. Track and Field Club cross country championships this December in Ohio.

"Our children, Isaac and Leo, attend as many of my races as they can," she added. "They love watching mommy and daddy run."

Moeller and her husband, Andy '99, know the feeling.

"Our son, Ryne, has even started running in the kids races prior to the events I compete in," she said. "We had to hold him out of a short race recently, and he was very upset. He loves running."

Adkins is sports information director



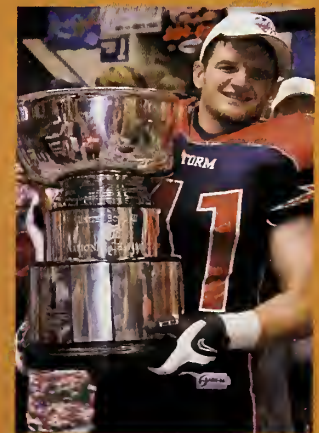
Erin Ries Moeller '95 runs beside her husband, Andy '99, during a recent road race competition. The whole family runs; son, Ryne, enjoys competing in the short distance events prior to his mom's races.



Tim Kurtt '83 pauses to watch a serve during play at the 2007 Wimbledon tennis championships in late June. Kurtt, a noted tennis official in the Greater Minneapolis-St. Paul, Minn., area and son of longtime Wartburg College director of athletics John Kurtt, worked several matches during the annual British event.



Ashlie Imming '08 of Fort Dodge, Iowa, and Jackie Sorensen '06 of Tiffin, Iowa, competed for a U.S. squad during an Italian softball tournament this past summer. Imming started at third base and Sorensen was a pitcher for the team, helping lead them to the tourney title.



Brian McIntire '06 holds the trophy for the 2007 U.S. Indoor Football League season. A linebacker for the Sioux Falls (S.D.) Storm, McIntire and his teammates won the league championship for the second straight season.

Worth Repeating

I used to think

of Wartburg's mission statement as somewhat corny and clichéd. However, now when I look at this mission statement, I see a promise that Wartburg College made to me when I first stepped foot on this campus. This is a promise that this institution has followed through on, and then some.

— Vern Klobassa '07, who was honored as outstanding history senior during the 2006-07 academic year, speaking at the annual senior dinner. After graduation, Vern received a fellowship for graduate study at Western Illinois University.

I arrived

in Qinzhou, Guangxi, delighted to be surrounded by green fields and green trees and green and green and more green instead of the gray of Nanjing. I already knew Qinzhou was the place for me. Then, lunch arrived: spicy jellyfish. I quickly rethought my initial enthusiasm and tried it. It was mercifully hot, so I was distracted from the texture and perhaps even enjoyed the jellyfish, though I didn't dig in for seconds. ... Qinzhou ... is poor. It is refreshing to see such joy and hard work in the face of this poverty, and it has made me spend time reflecting on my position here as a teacher. Just a teacher. Don't get me wrong; my respect for teachers has sky-rocketed in the last few months. I am thankful for each of my teachers and hope to encourage my students in the same way they have encouraged me. Education is sustainable, and I am honored to be a part of this.

— Kira Elliott '07, who teaches English in China through Amity Foundation, from an e-mail she sent Sept. 14 to friends and family titled jellyfish, chopsticks and poverty

Our two states,

and I believe our two institutions, hold an important place in the presidential election in 2008. Both institutions have embraced our respective state's historic 'First in the Nation' status to create a collaborative curriculum between our two campuses focused on the Iowa caucuses and the New Hampshire primary. ... Our institutions have the opportunity to engage voters 18 to 24 in an initiative that is non-partisan and far-reaching.

— Dr. Jack R. Ohle, Wartburg president, speaking Sept. 1 at Franklin Pierce University's Academic Convocation

Wartburg College

is larger than the physical space it occupies.

— Dr. Daniel J. Walther, associate professor of history and Gerald R. Kleinfeld Distinguished Professor of German History, speaking Oct. 9 at the Endowed Chairs and Distinguished Professors Convocation

One way

or another, the all too familiar 'Wartburg tapestry' has woven its 'orangeness' into our lives and gotten to each and every one of us. Whether you're overflowing with school spirit or delighted at the thought of being finished with school and entering the 'real world,' the experiences and people within this community have impacted you. You are not the same.

— Lauren Vincent '07, now pursuing a Master of Social Work degree at St. Louis (Mo.) University, speaking on behalf of the Class of 2007 at Commencement May 27

We are tied to

each other and to the rest of the world.

— Dr. Peter T. Nash, professor of religion and liberal studies and Franklin and Irene Saemann Professor of World Communities, speaking Oct. 9 at the Endowed Chairs and Distinguished Professors Convocation

"Wartburg gave

me more than an education, it provided me an experience. It included more than academic and extracurricular activities. It included great faculty, staff and community members, who for me became role models, then mentors, and along the way, friends. Friendships that continue to this day, and I'm glad to see those

retired and some still current faculty are here today to mark this occasion with me."

— Gregory Schmitz '83, president of Hawkeye Community College in Waterloo, Iowa, on receiving his honorary Doctor of Humane Letters degree from the college at the 155th Commencement May 27

Five things

you need to do:

1. Register to vote.
2. Vote.
3. Find out what candidates are saying.
4. Follow up post-election to make sure they are doing what they said they would.
5. Tell your stories. Call your representatives. Tell them where you stand so they know how to help you.

— Anti-discrimination activist Judy Shepherd, whose son, Matthew, was beaten to death because he was gay, speaking at Convocation Sept. 25





Mock caucus election ballot

Democrats

- 17 Joe Biden
- 36 Hillary Clinton
- 2 Christopher Dodd
- 28 John Edwards
- 1 Mike Gravel
- 7 Dennis Kucinich
- 62 Barack Obama
- 45 Bill Richardson

Republicans

- 2 Sam Brownback
- 27 Rudy Giuliani
- 15 Mike Huckabee
- 1 Duncan Hunter
- 40 John McCain
- 20 Ron Paul
- 33 Mitt Romney
- 3 Tom Tancredo
- 26 Fred Thompson

— From an Aug. 28 poll of faculty and administrative staff, who voted for one from each party

What a great

opportunity (Wartburg College students) have. ... You will have the opportunity here at Wartburg for an international education.

— Dr. Gerald R. Kleinfeld, \$1 million donor who created a distinguished professorship in German History, speaking Oct. 9 at the Endowed Chairs and Distinguished Professors Convocation

As a first-year

student you are introduced to Wartburg and with your newfound independence you learn more about yourself and who you may become. As a sophomore, you begin to see the impact you can have on the community around you and begin to step into leadership positions. As a junior you find that Wartburg truly is an integral part of the Waverly community as well as many other parts of the world and become more engaged. Finally, as a senior you are able to look back and see where you have come from and look forward to the rest of your life—a life enriched by your experiences at Wartburg.

— Student Body President Eric Benson '08 of New Hampton, Iowa, speaking Sept. 4 at Opening Convocation

Often when I meet

first-year students, I will ask them, 'Why have you come to college?' A common response has been 'to get a job in the real world.' If this sounds familiar, I would urge you to consider the possibility that college is the real world, and that your classroom experiences and what you may consider to be the outside world are inextricably linked.

— Dr. Penni Pier, associate professor of communication arts and co-director of Engaging Students: First in the Nation, speaking Sept. 4 at Opening Convocation

Many of us think

of community in a physical and linear sense. That is, we think of 'communities of place' that we inhabit. And when we move on, we move to different communities of place. ... I would also like us ... to consider and explore the meaning of 'community' in social, ethical and moral terms as well.

— Dr. Fred Waldstein, professor of political science, director of the Wartburg Leadership Education Institute, Burling Chair in Political Science and co-director of Engaging Students: First in the Nation, speaking Sept. 4 at Opening Convocation

I would ask you

to consider what type of greatness you might achieve as someone who serves local communities and the world with a college degree. Martin Luther King Jr. was right when he said you don't need higher education to serve, but imagine what the possibilities will be for your life because you have the knowledge, skills and abilities of a college graduate. With your education, you will be able to advance great evil or serve the greater good. You will be able to focus on exclusively on your own wants and desires, or you will be able look beyond yourself to your neighbors—neighbors who may be next door or neighbors who may be on the other side of the globe.

— Dr. Lake Lambert III, associate professor of religion and philosophy, Regents Chair in Ethics and director of the Wartburg Center for Community Engagement, speaking Sept. 4 at Opening Convocation



Our community

has been struck, and motivated by your Mission Statement of leadership, service, faith and learning. Growing up on the New England coast, I recognize these values to be—as the nauticals would say—your North Star. The transformation you desire for all in your community creates what we at Franklin Pierce have come to know as 'Leaders of Conscience.' We believe that such leaders are essential to our democracy.

— Dr. George Hagerty, president of Franklin Pierce University, Wartburg's partner in Engaging Students: First in the Nation, a collaboration focused on educating students and the public regarding the Iowa Caucuses and the New Hampshire Primary during the 2008 presidential election cycle, speaking at Opening Convocation Sept. 4

KNIGHTS IN THE NEWS

If my research is correct, the word Ausflug means, among other things, an excursion, an outing, a first-flight (as with birds). An Ausflugler is a tourist or an excursionist.

PRAYERFUL THOUGHTS ON THE THEME OF OUTFLY

"Ausflug!" "Outfly!"
Echoes through the years.

When will it arrive? I hope it's soon.
I need a break from classroom
schedules—
a time to wander free,
to join in the party,
a retreat, perhaps, we'll see.

Thank you, Lord, for memories.

"Ausflug!" "Outfly!"
An invite here and now.

Should I plan to go? Yes, I think I will.
I like these times amidst life's pressures—
to be with those I know,
to share in heritage,
to eat some brats, then go.

Thank you, Lord, for days like these.

"Ausflug!" "Outfly!"
A call to look ahead.

Where do I go from here? Continue the
excursion.
The name I have looks toward tomorrow
— Ausflugler."

Think "Travelocity."
Be like a bird on first flight.
Think possibility.

Thank you, Lord, for hope.

— James A. Schwarz
Vilas Park, Madison, Wisconsin
June 18, 2007



A large crowd turned out at the Victory Bell the morning of Oct. 4 to hear the official announcement of Outfly 2007.



Student Body President Eric Benson '09, New Hampton, and President Jack R. Ohle announce Outfly 2007.



Members of the faculty and staff served students breakfast the morning of Outfly. Among the guest servers were, from left, Pam Ohrt, lecturer in communication arts; Dr. Ferol Menzel, vice president for academic affairs and dean of the faculty; Dr. Mariah Birgen, associate professor of mathematics; and Scott Leisinger, vice president for institutional advancement.

1952

HERB HILDEBRANDT, Ann Arbor, Mich., and Yunxia Zhu wrote the lead article, "Culture, Contexts, and Communication in Multicultural Australia and New Zealand," for *Journal of Asian Pacific Communication*, March 2007.

The Rev. **PHILIP** and **REGINA WELSCH MUELLER**, Rice Lake, Wis., celebrated 50-plus years of ministry and Philip's 50th ordination anniversary April 22.

Dr. **PAUL SCHUBERT**, Three Rivers, Mich., was re-elected to a six-year term as a trustee and named chairman of the board of Glen Oaks Community College, Centreville.

The Rev. **LLOYD ZIEBARTH**, Ocqueoc, Mich., participated April 16-26 in the Habitat for Humanity Lenten build in Sao Leopoldo, Brazil.

1954

The Rev. **GEORGE HANUSA**, Des Moines, Iowa, received the Des Moines Area Religious Council Service Award May 23 for his work with refugees. He has served as chair and/or co-chair of Lutheran Service in Iowa/Catholic Charities Refugee Cooperative Services. George is in his fifth year as coordinator for the Des Moines Observance of World Refugee Day.

1956

The Rev. Dr. **BOB HILDEBRANDT**, Metairie, La., was elected to the board of directors of Interfaith Communications International, New Orleans.

Dr. **WENDELL LIEMOHN**, Louisville, Tenn., completed his goal to hike all trails in Great Smoky Mountain National Park of Tennessee. He is doing research on the measurement of core stability with a prototype piece of equipment made specifically for him by Lafayette (Ind.) Instrument Co.

BEVERLY SHREVE MENK and **THOMAS MENK** '57, New Brighton, Minn., celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary June 2.

BEVERLY AXEL SYWASSINK, Normal, Ill., was honored for her many years of service locally and nationally to Kappa Delta Sorority. She received the Order of the Emerald at the June 2007 National Convention in recognition of her outstanding service and selfless devotion to the sorority. She was also the fourth Kappa Delta to receive the Distinguished Service Award for extraordinary service to the sorority. Beginning with the 2009 Convention, an award named in her honor, the Beverly Axel Sywassink Most Improved House Corporation Award, will recognize a house corporation that best meets that criteria during the biennium.

KNIGHTS IN THE NEWS

The Rev. **GERALD WESTERBUHR**, Galveston, Texas, is interim senior pastor at Faith Lutheran Church, Dickinson.

1957

AL and NETTE BOICOURT
BAHLMANN, Waverly, Iowa, celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary June 8.

RICHARD "DICK" LARSON of Geneva, Ill., was appointed Circuit Court Judge for the 16th Judicial Circuit, effective Aug. 3, 2006.

The Rev. **ROGER TELLOCK**, Clintonville, Wis., retired.

The Rev. **ROBERT WEISHOFF**, Stanford, Mont., retired.

1958

LES and June **HUTH**, Waverly, Iowa, celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary Dec. 29, 2006.

1960

The Rev. **JAMES ADIX**, Marion, Iowa, retired as senior pastor at Our Savior's Lutheran Church, Cedar Rapids. He was the first recipient (1956) of the Wartburg Regent's Scholarship Award. He had been assistant professor of contextual education/director of internship at Wartburg Theological Seminary, an administrator with the Evangelical Lutheran Good Samaritan Society and a Lutheran parish pastor for more than 30 years.

KATHRYN KOOB, Waverly, Iowa, was featured in the American Legion Auxiliary's magazine, *National News*.

The Rev. **FRANK SCHROEDER**, Carbondale, Ill., retired as pastor at Mount Calvary Lutheran Church.

1962

The Rev. Dr. **PAUL BAUMAN**, Greenfield, Wis., retired as pastor at King of Glory Lutheran Church.

MARILYN RUGRODEN KONOLD, Centralia, Ill., is the library director of the C. E. Brehm Memorial Public Library, Mount Vernon, Ill.

OSCAR LENNING is the director, center for learning and advising, at Thiel College, an ELCA college of 1,200 students, Greenville, Pa.

1963

Dr. **BARRY GREENE**, Iowa City, Iowa, was selected head of the Health Management and Policy Department in University of Iowa College of Public Health.

1964

MARY ANN AHRENDT BARTON, Lincoln, Neb., retired in July as head of reference at University of Nebraska, Kearney.

1965

Dr. **DUANE SCHLITTER**, College Station, Texas, is the executive director with the Texas Life and Wildlife Department.

LEE STUMME, Garrison, Iowa, retired as manager of the Farmer's Lumber Company.

PAUL WEGNER, Mukwonago, Wis., retired from trucking with Quad Graphics.

1966

The Rev. **KEITH PILLER**, Cedar Falls, Iowa, retired as pastor at Our Savior's Lutheran Church, Waterloo.

LOWELL WIELE, Chariton, Iowa, retired from teaching at Chariton Community Schools.

DOROTHY HARRIS WILLIS, Chicago, Ill., retired after 21 years as a school social worker with the Chicago Public Schools.

1967

The Rev. **JON BECKER**, Colfax, Wis., is an interim pastor at Christ Lutheran Church, Somerset.

JERRY BISHOP, Monticello, Ind., is a school case manager with Wabash Valley Hospital.

SUE HENDRICKSON SYVERSON, Waverly, Iowa, retired from teaching at West Cedar Elementary School.

1968

JAMES SEIDEL, Wausau, Wis., retired as a district court administrator with the Wisconsin Supreme Court.



JOAN ANDERSON RINNER, Iowa City, Iowa, received University of Iowa staff award for Public Engagement and Outreach. She offers counseling and organizational consulting through UI Human Resources and has been instrumental in bringing the Alternatives to Violence Project (AVP) to eastern Iowa prisons. AVP is an international, nonprofit, educational initiative that teaches nonviolent conflict resolution to Iowa prison inmates. It is committed to reducing interpersonal violence through experiential conflict management workshops in prisons, schools and communities. Joan serves as a volunteer facilitator, counselor and program recruiter. She has helped develop new workshop material for use by AVP across the state.

LINDA WUERTZ TAYLOR, Merriam, Kan., is with Budget and Management Assistance.

1969

LINDA BAKER MIRANDA, Chicago, Ill., retired June 15 from her counseling/case manager position with the Chicago Public Schools.

1970

DAVID E. FISCHER, Cedar Falls, Iowa, retired in January 2002 from Deere & Company.

The Rev. **JOEL SHERER**, Bismarck, N.D., is the executive director at Camp of the Cross, Garrison.

SUSAN TWEDT, Marshalltown, Iowa, retired from teaching with the Marshalltown School District.

GENE ZAGER, Davenport, Iowa, retired as a social worker with the Department of Human Services.

1971

The Rev. **DANIEL HART**, Northwood, Iowa, is the senior pastor at First Lutheran Church.

DONALD OLESON, Carroll, Iowa, retired from teaching in the Carroll Community Schools.

GREG SLAGER, Cedar Rapids, Iowa, retired as air pollution control officer with the Linn County Public Health Department.

BARBARA SAMEC WINTER, New Hampton, Iowa, retired as a social worker from the New Hampton Nursing Rehab Center.

1972

KAYE BAUMAN CONRAD, Pilot Grove, Iowa, retired after teaching 35 years in the Fort Madison area.

JULIEANNE MORTON GENTZ, Washington, Iowa, is the project coordinator for an awarded ELL grant at William Penn University, Oskaloosa.

LYDIA KLEINSCHMIDT-JOHNSON, Oshkosh, Wis., retired in June after 35 years of teaching.

JANE SCHMIDTHUBER NOAH, Oskaloosa, Iowa, retired after 36 of teaching.

GARY RAMBO, Altoona, Wis., retired as vocal music teacher with the South Middle School.

JANET MITTELSTADT TIPPETT, Rapids City, S.D., retired as president and publisher of *The Daily Item/Danville News*, Sunbury, Pa.

1973

ROGER BUCHHOLZ, River Falls, Wis., retired after 33 years in education. He spent 17 years as a biology teacher and coach and 16 years as a principal, assistant principal and activities director in the Mount Horeb and River Falls School Systems.

BETH BOYKEN GILMORE, Algona, Iowa, retired from the Iowa Department of Human Services, Dec. 26, 2006, with 21 years of services. She is currently the internal auditor for the Farmers State Bank of Whittemore, Algona, and West Bend.

WAYNE MAGER, Elkader, Iowa, retired from Central Community School after teaching 32 years.

Capt. **NANNETTE SMITH**, Port Charlotte, Fla., retired from the U.S. Army March 31 serving 30 years, with 20 years of active duty.

ARLYS SCHLICHTING THOMPSON, Iowa City, Iowa, is a graduate program coordinator with University of Iowa College of Public Health.

CONNIE JUHL VITZTHUM, Algona, Iowa, retired from teaching second grade at Algona Community Schools.

ANDREW VOS, Sioux Falls, S.D., is a mental health counselor with the South Dakota Jail.

KNIGHTS IN THE NEWS

Dr. **DEBORAH GREEN ZACKERY**, Eagan, Minn., is the dean of educational service at Anoka-Ramsey Community College, Coon Rapids.

1974

Dr. **REICHARD ERBES**, Estherville, Iowa, is a surgeon with the Center for Orthopedic and Sports Medicine, Fairmont.

DAVID and **REBECCA PETERSON KAMM**, Decorah, Iowa, are taking sabbaticals in Washington, D.C. David received a sabbatical from his position as art gallery coordinator/assistant professor of art at Luther College. Rebecca received a sabbatical from her faculty position at Northeast Iowa Community College.

1975

STEVE BUHROW, Colo, Iowa, was appointed to the board of directors for the National Association of Secondary School Principals Board of Directors for Region 5, which includes Nebraska, Iowa, Illinois, Indiana, Ohio and West Virginia. He has completed 30 years in public education. Steve is in his 19th year as principal at Colo-Nesco High School.

FREDERICK GRUNKE, St. Cloud, Minn., was appointed by Minnesota Governor Tim Pawlenty to serve as a judge of Seventh Judicial District Court. His chambers will be in St. Cloud.

PAUL STEEGE, Omaha, Neb., toured China for 14 days with a music group from Grace University in May. The group consisted of seven brass, three clarinets and five family members. Cities toured included Beijing, Taiyuan, Ping Yao and Xian. Paul was the principal trumpet player.

1976

The Rev. **RICHARD GENZMAN**, Marysville, Ohio, was named Joint Force Headquarters State Chaplain for Ohio. He has been a chaplain for 23 years in the Ohio Army National Guard. Richard recently returned from a yearlong deployment to Baghdad, Iraq, where he served as Brigade Chaplain for the 16th Engineer Brigade, Columbus, Ohio.

1977

BETH NELSON CHASE, Mount Morris, Ill., is vice president for mission support at Wartburg Theological Seminary, Dubuque, Iowa.

STEVEN GATES is the vice president for advancement at Northwest Arkansas Community College, Bentonville, Ark.

TOM LILLY, Cedar Rapids, Iowa, was named district coach of the year by the Iowa Basketball Coaches Association. He led Xavier to the 3A state championship. Tom coaches at Xavier High School.

JON PETERSON, Webster, N.Y., was awarded a sabbatical research appointment at Harvard Medical School by his employer, Johnson & Johnson, Ortho-Clinical Diagnostics, for a term of approximately one year. His responsibilities include development and transfer of technologies for early detection of cancers to meet unmet medical needs. John has 20 years experience in the medical health industry, authored 21 peer reviewed scientific publications, and has made numerous presentations and technology transfers throughout the United States, Europe and Asia.

COLEEN CHENEY ROWLEY, Apple Valley, Minn., delivered the commencement address to the Class of 2007 at University of Iowa College of Law in Iowa City.

1978

TODD AMANI is the mission director for Mozambique for the U.S. Agency for International Development.

SUSAN SEVERSON SMITH, Bethany, Okla., is an administrative assistant with Southern Nazarene University.

ROBIN PATSCHRUECK TIMMERMAN, Hebron, Neb., is teaching English as a Second Language course at Southeast Community College of Nebraska, Geneva. She has been a consultant for Head Start as a bilingual program reviewer in the Early Childhood Education component for three years. Robin has been a classroom teacher/site supervisor for Fillmore County Head Start of Blue Valley Community Action Partnership for 13 years.

1979

STEPHEN LIEBETRAU, Akron, Iowa, is a pharmaceutical sales representative with AstraZeneca Pharmaceuticals.

JEFF MILLER, Washington, Iowa, is special agent with the Division of Criminal Investigation.

DAVID WILLARDSON, Knoxville, Iowa, is an underwriter with Pacific Life.

1980

WENDY WEDEKING CRUSE, Grundy Center, Iowa, is the principal at Washington Elementary School, Charles City.

NANCY KELLER DAVID, Sandusky, Ohio, is the co-service unit director for Mills and Pipe Creek Service Units of Girl Scouts of Northern Ohio for the 2007-08 school year.

GILLIAN GREMMELS is the director of the library at Davidson College, Davidson, N.C.

SUSAN KOHL ROSTAD, Waynesville, Mo., is listed in *Who's Who Among America's Teachers* for 2006-07.

CYNTHIA WEBER SCHERB, Kansas City, Mo., is chief legal officer and general counsel with Brooke Franchise Corporation, a subsidiary of Brooke Corporation, Overland Park, Kan.

1981

Dr. **FREDERICK BURRACK**, Manhattan, Kan., is the director of graduate studies in music and assistant professor of music at Kansas State University. He presented at the MidWest Band and Orchestra Clinic, Chicago, Ill.

KATHERINE MUELLER JACOBS, Christoval, Texas, is a registered nurse with San Angelo Community Medical Center.

KEVIN "KC" ROBB, Independence, Iowa, was called to active duty with the U.S. Army Reserve in September 2006. He was mobilized to Fort Bliss in El Paso, Texas, for one year. He is the non-commissioned officer in charge (NCOIC) of the laboratory section at the Soldier Readiness Processing Center at Fort Bliss. He is professor of education at Upper Iowa University, Fayette. He published an article, "An Uncertain Position: Examining the Status of Teaching as a Profession," in the fall 2006 edition of *Essays in Education*.

JAMES SAMPSON, Missoula, Mont., is a commercial agent with Western States Insurance Agency and head boys basketball coach at Hellgate High School.

JACQUI SEGGERMAN WALKER, Camp, Ark., is a music teacher at Salem Elementary School, Salem.

1982

STEVE BREMER, Osage, Iowa, is the head boy's basketball coach with Osage Community Schools. He is owner of Larson's Hardware Hank.

GARY HANTSBARGER, Lincolnshire, Ill., is the assistant director of biostatistics with Astellas Pharma US, Deerfield.

BRIAN HOMES, Ankeny, Iowa, was promoted to software development consultant with ING, Des Moines.

CLIFFORD WARDLAW is on a detail from the U.S. Attorney's Office as the resident legal adviser to the U.S. Embassy in Islamabad, Pakistan. His previous posting was to the U.S. Embassy in Baghdad, Iraq.

1983

KATHI DIEHL DIVINE, Springfield, Mo., is a project coordinator to the administrator for the general superintendent of the Assemblies of God headquarters. She is the founder and president of the Inspirational Outreach Association nonprofit organization providing inspirational and encouraging Christian materials to family violence shelters across the United States.

Curtis and **PATSY WELDEN FOX**, Colorado Springs, Colo., adopted Danielle Joanne Pei Fox, June 15, 2006. She was born Aug. 28, 2005. She joins Jaxon, 5, and Connor, 3. Patsy is in sales with Starz Media.

LINDA BEGALSKE KIMZEY, Mount Pleasant, Iowa, is a medical technologist with Family Medicine of Mount Pleasant.

TIM KURT

TIM KURT, St. Paul, Minn., is one of 11 Americans who served as linesmen at the Wimbledon Championships. He served as an official at the U.S. Open for the fifth time this year. Tim is co-owner of Arctic Spas Midwest, Burnsville.

LYNN HOLLE MOORE, Pueblo West, Colo., is a judicial assistant with the State of Colorado 10th Judicial District.

1984

TODD MARTENSEN, St. James, Mo., is the director of Piney Ridge Center, Waynesville.

Dr. **MICHAEL ZACHARISEN**, New Berlin, Wis., was promoted to full professor of pediatrics and medicine at the Medical College of Wisconsin, Milwaukee. He was listed as a local physician in the area of allergy/immunology in *Best Doctors in America - 2006* in the *Milwaukee Journal Sentinel*.



KNIGHTS IN THE NEWS

1985

KERRY BASKINS, Overland Park, Kan., was promoted to vice president/business unit director for Grundfos Pumps in the U.S., Olathe.

The Rev. Dr. **DAVID BIGLEY** graduated May 12 with a Doctor of Ministry degree from University of Dubuque (Iowa) Theological Seminary. He serves The Good Shepherd's Parish United Methodist Church in Hillsboro, Ill.

TRUDIE HEIKKILA GOFF, Herndon, Va., is an elementary gifted and talented specialist with the Loudoun County Public Schools.

TODD YOUNGSTROM, St. Paul, Minn., is an engagement manager in sales with the Hewlett-Packard Company.

1986

CYNTHIA SWARTZ LANHAM, Urbandale, Iowa, is a teacher at West Des Moines Community School.

Vicar **PATRICK SIMMONS** completed his studies in May at Concordia Seminary, St. Louis, Mo. He is a minister with Christ Lutheran Church, Shakopee, Minn.

DONALD SMITH, Lakewood, Wash., is a registered licensed nurse with the Veterans Hospital.

AZMIL "ZEB" ZABIDI, Shanghai, China, assumed the post of consul general of Malaysia in Shanghai. Prior to this appointment, he was deputy chief of mission with the rank of minister counselor at the Embassy of Malaysia in Beijing, a post he assumed in September 2003.

1987

STEFANIE REA GEITZ, McLean, Ill., is the 5-12 grade band teacher with Delavan Schools.

GERARD and Leanne **SCHWICKERATH**, Newton, Iowa, announce the birth of Joshua Graham, March 2. He joins Hannah, 3.

The Rev. **WILLIAM SLADEK**, Windsor, Colo., retired due to disability. He served parishes in Iowa and Colorado. He enjoys classical violin studies with Ms. Lynelle Harding, concertmistress of the Greeley Philharmonic Orchestra.

1988

JOEL DICKMAN, Longwood, Fla., is the managing editor with *Eyewitness News*, Orlando. In the five years he was news director at KFSN, Fresno, Calif., he won five Emmys and three Edward R. Murrow awards for "Best Newscast."

JANAE BRAVARD GRIFFITH, Ankeny, Iowa, is with Iowa Realty and a high school teacher with the Ankeny Community School District.

LISA SHIPMAN KOLL, Elkhorn, Neb., is a Spanish II and III teacher at Ralston High School, Ralston.

DARREN MILLER, Tipton, Iowa, is the director of new media at University of Iowa, Iowa City.

Dan and **LISA HUESMAN ORTH**, Highlands Ranch, Colo., announce the birth of Mikayla Grace, Aug. 11, 2006. She joins Alex, 6, and Lucas, 4.

VAUGHNDA RUSSELL RITCHIE, Kansas City, Mo., is an assistant vice president with UMB Bank.

SUE KLAHSEN ROTH, Hudson, Iowa, is with Total Health of Iowa.

STACY FRICKE RUNGAITIS, Woodridge, Ill., is manager of annual giving and events with the College of DuPage Foundation, Glen Ellyn, Ill.

MICHELLE QUAM SLOTER, Alpharetta, Ga., received Teacher of the Year. She is a second grade teacher at Cogburn Woods Elementary.

Stuart and **TRACY RUHBERG SUDAK**, Chaska, Minn., announce the birth of Matthew Benjamin, Feb. 14. He joins Justin, 9, and Anna, 4. Tracy is an actuary with Allianz Life Insurance Company, Minneapolis.

1989

GREG BLANK, Garner, Iowa, is in the cardiology department at the Mason City Clinic and a captain with the Iowa Army National Guard.

MELISSA BONSTEAD-BRUNS and Troy Bruns, Eau Claire, Wis., adopted Sophia Celeste Louise Bruns. She was born April 25. She joins Tyler, 4. Melissa is an associate professor of sociology at University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire.

JEFFREY EYRES and Tracy Smith, St. Louis Park, Minn., announce the birth of Patrick Eyres, Aug. 2006. He joins Nina.

GREG and **JULIE PAGEL '90 DREWES**, Waverly, Iowa, announce the birth of Daniel, May 6, 2006. He joins Sean, 4. Greg is a programmer/analyst with CUNA Mutual Life Insurance. Julie is a business owner as a graphic and web designer. She also works part-time as a graphic designer in the Wartburg Communication and Marketing Office.

LIESL HUBBARD FARRIER, Denver, Colo., is a high school teacher with the Cherry Creek Schools.

SARAH GARDNER, Aurora, Colo., is a kindergarten teacher at Strasburg Elementary School, Strasburg.

BRUCE and Carla **HINRICHS**, West Des Moines, Iowa, announce the birth of Noah Leland. He joins Seth, 3.

KEITH SWARTZ, Madison, Wis., is an energy engineer at the Energy Center of Wisconsin.

MARTIN WEISS, Vinton, Iowa, is a sales specialist with True North.

BETH HOVDEN WOOD, Pleasant Hill, Iowa, is in college admissions with Hamilton College.

1990

JILL BOWDEN BLANK, Garner, Iowa, is an advertising consultant with *The Garner Leader*.

JEFF DITTO, Minneapolis, Minn., is a computer consultant with IBM.

KEN and Cathy **GUYETTE**, Walpole, Mass., announce the adoption of Abigail Nataliya, 21 months from Moscow, Russia. She joins Nicholas, 3.

LEE and **MARCI THOMPSON HAMMERAND**, Muscatine, Iowa, announce the birth of Samantha Marie, July 19. She joins twins Matthew and Nathan, 1½.

TIM HAWKINS, Solon, Iowa, is a maintenance supervisor with Highway Equipment Company.

ANGIE HEUCK, Steven's Point, Wis., is the marketing director with Joerns Healthcare, Inc.

JEFF and Beth **HILL**, Petersburg, Ill., announce the birth of twins, Aaron and Hodassah, Jan. 22. They join John, 7½.

JOHN JACKSON is the police chief for the City of Alamosa, Colo.

Philip and Dr. **CHRISTY WILLASON LAWRENCE**, Belmont, Mass., announce the birth of Camron Owen, April 30, 2006. He joins Bryton, 11, and Anderson, 6.

SEAN McTAGGART, Ankeny, Iowa, is a strategy director with Principal Financial Group.

TRACY ROUDEBUSH MICHELSEN, Waterloo, Iowa, is in the sports and logistics department with Short's Travel Management.

TROY MULLEN, Urbandale, Iowa, is a product manager with Dice, Inc.

Jeff and **LISA NESS-GRIFFITH**, Czech Republic, announce the birth of Jonathan Allen, April 5. He joins Joshua, 4, and David, 2½.

Jim and **JOLYNN STALEY REAMS**, Ankeny, Iowa, announce the birth of Justin Lee, May 5. He joins Colby, 8.

ERIK RUSSELL, New Haven, Ind., was promoted to unit manager with Affiliated Computer Systems (ACS).

CAROLE ANNE SCHREIBER, Madison, Wis., was promoted to administrator training and employee development with TDS Telecom. She is responsible for designing and delivering instructor-led training to the employees of the organization.

JILL BAUMGARTNER TOEPFER, Springfield, Ill., is an administrator/psychologist with Southern Illinois University School of Medicine.

CHERIE TORGERSON and Matthew Ewald, St. Paul, Minn., were married in Forest City, Iowa, Oct. 14, 2006.

JEFF VOSS, Ryan, Iowa, received the 3A wrestling coach of the year from the Iowa High School Athletic Association. He is in his 10th year as the head wrestling coach at West Delaware High School, Manchester.



KNIGHTS IN THE NEWS

Dan and **MAUREEN HUGHES WEICHERS**, Parkersburg, Iowa, announce the birth of Kennedy, Dec. 13, 2006. She joins Carson, 5, and Averi, 2.

BRIAN WELCH, Rochester, Minn., is a nurse with the Mayo Clinic.

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Dr. Joel and **JULIE HERRON CARR**, Williamsburg, Iowa, announce the birth of Abby Jane, May 9. They own Williamsburg and Victor Chiropractic clinics.

WADE EICHHORN, Pacific Junction, Iowa, is operations manager with ConAgra Foods, Council Bluffs.

RICK GEITZ, McLean, Ill., is the football video coordinator at Illinois State University, Normal.

SEAN and Krista **WHELAN**, St. Paul, Minn., announce the birth of Saoirse Kathryn, June 16, 2006.

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KEVIN and Jill **BENDER**, Decatur, Ga., announce the birth of Matthew Alan, Dec. 31, 2006. He joins Audrey, 3½.

JEFF CONREY, Waterloo, Iowa, is vice president of trust services with First National Bank.

STEPHEN GITCH, Phoenix, Ariz., is an M.B.A./public administration student at University of Phoenix, where he is also an academic counselor.

DENISE LENNING HILL, Altoona, Iowa, is a full-time faculty member in the College of Health Sciences at Des Moines University. She has been a practitioner-scholarship in the college for six years, teaching courses in health law and ethics. She was recognized with the 2007 Master of Public Health Faculty of the Year Award. Denise continues as a counsel attorney with the Whitfield & Eddy law firm, Des Moines.

MIC JUND, Urbandale, Iowa, was promoted to managing partner of The MassMutual Financial Group for Iowa, North Dakota and South Dakota.

Phil and **PAM WREDT KACMARYNSKI**, Urbandale, Iowa, announce the birth of John Phillip, April 8. He joins Wyatt, 5, and Ana, 3.

VICTORIA SIME LIVINGSTON and **CARL LIVINGSTON '94**, Ankeny, Iowa, announce the birth of Paige Marie, April 15. She joins Blake, 9, Ethan, 8, and Claire, 5. Carl is senior account manager in the medical/pharmaceutical business unit for Tapemark, a contract manufacturer, St. Paul. Vicky is a stay-at-home mom.

BRENT MATTHIAS, Waverly, Iowa, is chief marketing officer at Mudd Advertising, Cedar Falls.

Eric and **MARY JOHNSTON NELSON**, Sullivan, Wis., announce the birth of Aimee Marie, June 4, 2006.

Greg Ruth and **RUTH POTTER-RUTH**, Iowa City, Iowa, announce the birth of Owen Alexander Ruth, March 20. He joins William, 5. Ruth is a customer service representative with Moore Wallace.

Dave and **JONI NORVIEL SHELLABARGER**, Appleton, Wis., announce the birth of Andrew MacLane, April 18. He joins Finley, 2. Joni is an accounting analyst with Thrivent Financial for Lutherans.

Drs. **AARON** and Lesley **TRACHTE**, Lawton, Okla., announce the birth of Charles Benjamin, Jan. 8. He joins Will, 2.

ANNE KUTSCHAT WEBBER, Marble Rock, Iowa, is a high school special education teacher with the Nora Springs-Rock Falls Community School District, Nora Springs.

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TOM BUCHHEIM, Sun Prairie, Wis., was promoted to editor of the *All American* magazine, a monthly publication for American Family Insurance agents and their staffs.

Bruce and **WENDY WIMMER BUNNELL**, Brooklyn Center, Minn., announce the birth of William Erik, Aug. 3, 2006. He joins Jessica, 6.

AMY CAMPBELL, Ankeny, Iowa, was promoted to auto subrogation manager with Allied Insurance, Des Moines.

Robert and **MARIA DAVIDSON DOUGHERTY**, announce the birth of Meaghan Elisha, Jan. 30. She joins Cole, 2.

E'LYNN ELLIS, and Franz Olsen, West Des Moines, Iowa, were married Sept. 1. E'Lynn is a default analyst with Wells Fargo Home Mortgage.

KRIS BOUMAN FRANZEN, Decorah, Iowa, is the director of residence life at Luther College.

ANDREW and Kary Ann **HOWIE**, West Des Moines, Iowa, announce the birth of Christopher Taylor, April 19. He joins Clayton, 7.

BRUCE LANTZKY, Waverly, Iowa, is a vice president with First National Bank of Waverly.

TAMMY LORCH, Johnston, Iowa, is with Iowa Public Television's Ready To Learn program.

SHANNON TIMMINS PALM, St. Paul, Minn., is a physical therapist with Sister Kenny Sports and Physical Therapy Center, Minneapolis.

LEASHA SCHEMME and Steve Wiebers, Center Point, Iowa, were married June 30.

Bernd and **KATE LINBERG SCHOELL**, Lisle, Ill., announce the birth of Anna Elise, April 18. She joins Eva, 6, and Christian, 4.

Tom and **MOLLY THOREN SHERMAN**, Sunnyvale, Calif., announce the birth of Bryce Andrew, July 29, 2005. He joins Koby, 3.

Shane and **SUZANNE BLEEKE STRACK**, Roberts, Wis., announce the birth of Campbell Nicole, July 8. She joins Garnett, 4.

ALOYSIUS TINGADON, Sabah, Malaysia, was promoted to a principal senior assistant in a government school.

SANDRA WISKUS and Marc Ott, Paris, France, were married Sept. 2, 2006, in Lyon, France, with a second reception in Dyersville, Iowa, Oct. 7, 2006. Sandra is the communications manager for the Natural Resources and Energy Financing business line at Societe Generale Corporate and Investment Banking.

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CHUCK AUGUSTINE, Cedar Rapids, Iowa, is with University of Iowa Foundation, Iowa City, an associate director of development, major gifts, University of Iowa Hospitals and Clinics.

Dr. **GIA BATSON** and Dr. Carl Gray, Stockton, Calif., were married April 28. Gia is an adult primary care physician with Kaiser Permanente.

KEVIN and Brenda **CUMMER**, Waverly, Iowa, announce the birth of Tai Jeremiah, March 22. He joins Andrew, 3, and Zachary, 2. Kevin is a senior manager-product finance with CUNA Mutual Life Insurance Company.

PAUL EVERDING, Freeport, Ill., is the assistant varsity softball coach at Freeport High School. He served as junior varsity coach, amassing a 177-101 record over 10 years.

Ron and **TANYA WILLIAMS GORMAN**, Omaha, Neb., announce the birth of Davis, June 18. He joins Novella, 2½.

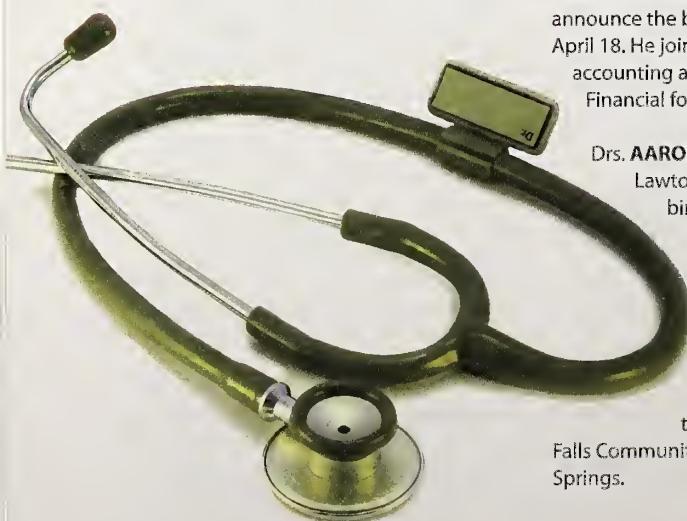
DON HEIDEMANN, Forest City, Iowa, has been elected treasurer of Winnebago Industries. He will oversee the company's credit, cash management, property, tax and insurance departments.

Dr. **SCOTT** and **DONNA WAGNER HELLINGA**, Roscoe, Ill., announce the birth of Karl Hans, April 12. He joins Abby Mae, 6.

BRIAN KIDWELL, Thornton, Colo., is a police officer with the City of Northglenn Police Department.

CHRISTIAN and **ELISE HARDY KLOSTER**, Lockport, Ill., announce the birth of Ava Grace, July 12. She joins Tyler, 4, and Aidan, 1.

Keith Izatt and Dr. **HELEN LUCE**, Wausau, Wis., announce the birth of Noah Robert Izatt, July 5. He joins Gabriel, 4. Helen is an assistant professor in the department of family medicine with University of Wisconsin School of Medicine and Public Health.



KNIGHTS IN THE NEWS

Justin and **DIANE MAULSBY PIERCE**, Blountville, Tenn., announce the birth of Elijah Rowan, May 24. He joins Brandon, 10, Kristen, 8.

Corey and **STEPHANIE MARZAHL SCHOENROCK**, Woodbury, Minn., announce the birth of Gabrielle Marie, Aug. 1, 2006. Stephanie is with Biomet as territory manager for Minn., N.D., and northwest Wisconsin.

John and **AMY SCHULTZ SILVIA**, Portland, Ore., announce the birth of Savannah Scout, Dec. 11, 2006. She joins Ruby, 1½.

WESLEY and Anita **VOLK**, Cedar Rapids, Iowa, announce the birth of Jaxon Ryne, April 11. Wesley is a senior financial analyst with Rockwell Collins.

BRAD WALLER, Waukegan, Iowa, is the assistant vice president, office administration, at the Hy-Vee corporate headquarters, West Des Moines.

THERESA YANEY WILDER, Jeffersonville, Ind., is a pharmacist with Kroger Pharmacy.

BRAD WOLTER, Cedar Rapids, Iowa, is a diesel technician with Cedar Rapids Mack/Volvo.

DAVE and **ANGELA SHATZER '95 ZIMMER**, Altoona, Iowa, announce the birth of Reagan Leigh, Nov. 22, 2006. She joins Brittany, 10, Beth Anne, 8, and Abi, 4.

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Monte and **KELLY MEYER ALLAN**, Parkersburg, Iowa, announce the birth of Marcy Lorinda, Dec. 5, 2006. She joins Lucas, 3.

JENNIFER OTTING BARTELL, Bernard, Iowa, graduated May 12 with a B.A. in business administration from Clarke College, Dubuque. She graduated Summa Cum Laude, was a valedictorian and was a commencement speaker.

DAVE and **MOLLY BIEL BIERMAN**, Preston, Iowa, announce the birth of Abigail Marie, May 31. She joins Wyatt, 8, and Libby, 3. Dave was promoted to fisheries biologist/team leader with the Iowa Department of Resources Mississippi River Monitoring Station, Bellevue.

Doug and **KERRY HERTEL BOYSEN**, Corvallis, Ore., announce the birth of Benjamin Ross, May 8. He joins Clare, 1½.

JILL CRAWFORD BUCHHEIM, Sun Prairie, Wis., is the music director at Norway Grove Memorial Lutheran Church, DeForest, Wis.

Jason and **AMY JENSEN COOPER**, Strawberry Point, Iowa, announce the birth of Evan Daniel, Jan. 25. He joins Maia, 8, and Jensen, 2.

BRIAN FISER, Bondurant, Iowa, received third place for one of

his stories in the National Press Photography Association's national competition. His winning entry was in a competition for stories produced in less than four hours. He is a photojournalist with WHO-TV, Des Moines.



Wartburg Alumni Association offers connections, relationships



It was just six months ago that I walked across the stage at Walston-Hoover Stadium to receive something that would change my life forever—a Wartburg College degree.

I am not sure even now I realize the true value of the degree I received from one of the premier institutions in the country.

What I do know is when you mention Wartburg, people listen. They take notice of your credentials and you have an immediate leg up on the competition.

My life has been hectic to say the least—entering the working world, finding a place to live and making the decision to get married. This past July I married my college sweetheart; another benefit of my Wartburg education was meeting the love of my life. I started my new job as Client Services Associate for the Mudd Advertising group due in large part to Wartburg connections.

Although life as a new graduate can be hectic, I wanted to seek out an opportunity to give back to the institution I grew to love and admire during my undergraduate experience. It is easy as a young graduate to be consumed by the many changes taking place in your life and risk losing a connection with your alma mater. Everyday when I go to work I see at least one of my co-workers wearing a Wartburg shirt and I enjoy that connection I share with that individual.

It is true that as a young graduate you don't have a lot of

resources to contribute. It is also true you might not have the time to devote that older alumni do. But what you do have is enthusiasm and Wartburg pride! The term "giving back" has so many definitions, and it contains a different meaning to each of us. As Wartburg alumni we have an obligation to give back to the institution that has provided much more than a degree.

There are numerous ways we can give back to Wartburg College. A perfect entry point is to participate in the Wartburg Alumni Association. There are so many ways and so many levels of engagement; there is almost something for everyone. You can volunteer in assisting admissions in student recruitment, become active in your local alumni club or participate in Homecoming and reunions. If you really want to become involved, there are many leadership growth and interaction opportunities through Wartburg Alumni Association.

I would like to see a greater percentage of young alumni become engaged in Wartburg in these early years. Your support and engagement will not only benefit Wartburg; it will assist you in continuing to build the most important relationships you can with those 18,000 people who have shared many of the same experiences you and I have.

Be Orange for Life!

Jay Balek, Class of 2007

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Harry and **STEPHANIE SCOTT FOWLER**, Denver, Iowa, announce the birth of Dayton Kay, May 10. She joins Dillon, 2.

Jim and **TONIA DAVENPORT GANZHORN**, Novato, Calif., announce the birth of Lisa Ann, April 2. She joins Emma, 3.

SHAWN HARMSSEN, Hayward, Wis., is a communication instructor at University of Wisconsin and a part-time utility infielder at KBJR-TV, Duluth.

Dr. **ERIC HARSTAD** and Mollie Tobin, Metuchen, N.J., were married Oct. 28, 2006, in Grass Valley, Calif. Eric is a toxicologist and study director with Bristol Myers-Squibb.

VERONICA LICKFELT and Christian Locke, Oswego, Ill., announce the birth of Annabelle Carolyn Locke, Jan. 25. She joins Cassidy, 1.

The Rev. **REID MATTHIAS** received her Master of Theology degree May 13 from Wartburg Theological Seminary, Dubuque, Iowa. He was ordained June 2 at Zion Lutheran Church, Rake, Iowa. Reid will serve as discipleship pastor, specializing in youth, family, education and evangelism at Our Savior's Lutheran Church, Rockford, Ill.

HEATHER McCLINTOCK, Dubuque, Iowa, received a master's degree in administrative studies from Missouri State University, Springfield, Mo. She is director of admissions at Wartburg Theological Seminary.

CHAD McDONALD, Encinitas, Calif., announces the birth of Lincoln Jeffrey, April 30.

KRISTEN MEIER and Brent Seehusen, Clear Lake, Iowa, were married July 21. Kristen is in her seventh year as director of youth ministry at Zion Lutheran Church.

BECKY FLAHERTY O'DONNELL, Readlyn, Iowa, is a substitute teacher with Tripoli Community Schools, Tripoli, and Wapsie Valley Community School District, Fairbank.

AMY BOSSARD RYAN, West Burlington, Iowa, is the school counselor at West Burlington Junior/Senior High School.

CURT SCHACHTNER, Grovetown, Ga., was promoted to operations manager with SRP Federal Credit Union, North Augusta, S.C.

KYLE and DENISE McMILLIN SHAFFER, Ham Lake, Minn., announce the birth of Kayla Marie, April 11. She joins Zach, 5½, and Nate, 3½. Kyle is a sales representative in the structured lumber division of Weekes Forest Products. Denise is the assistance vice president of the strategic business solutions department of Wells Fargo Home Mortgage.

ERIC SHILFEY, Queen Creek, Ariz., is director of Physicians Physical Therapy Services, Mesa.

ANDREW ZALASKY, Ames, Iowa, received a master's degree in public administration in May 2006 from Drake University, Des Moines. He is director of community relations with Mary Greeley Medical Center.

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JEFF and Elaine ALLEN, Iowa City, Iowa, announce the birth of Carolyn, Aug. 24, 2006. She joins Ian, 4.

MATT and MICHELLE MEYER BREEZE, Sun Prairie, Wis., announce the birth of Emma Elizabeth, March 18. She joins Jacob, 4. Matt received an M.S. in biotechnology from University of Wisconsin-Madison in May.

Chris and **NANCY KRAPFL COOK**, Manchester, Iowa, announce the birth of Adam Christopher, Nov. 5, 2006. He joins Amber, 7, and Blake, 4. Nancy is a first grade teacher at Lambert Elementary.

AMY GOSNELL, Nichols, Iowa, graduated with a M.S.W. from University of Iowa, Iowa City. She is a supervisor/program specialist with Families Inc., of Iowa.

The Rev. **JAY GRAVE** and Elizabeth Halliburton, Fredericksburg, Texas, were married at Zion Lutheran Church, Feb. 9. Jay is the associate pastor of new growth and evangelism at Zion. They are parents of Isabelle, 5.

MICHIRU HIGUCHI and Atsushi Kato, Tokyo, Japan, announce the birth of Ma, March 26.

Rob and **MAKAELA SCHUKNECHT HOFFMAN**, Rockford, Iowa, announce the birth of Ryker J., April 3. He joins Brooks, 3, and McKinnley, 1½.

Scott and **DEE BOWMAN INDRESANO**, Waverly, Iowa, announce the birth of Caitlyn Marie, Dec. 19, 2006. She joins Jacob, 1½.

Jeff and **WENDY WATERS JACOBSON**, New Prague, Minn., announce the birth of Luke Dean, April 30.

Matt and **GRETCHEN MAHRAUN KRIST**, Willow Spring, N.C., announce the July 1 adoption of Marnina Yongwen from China. She was born Sept. 20, 2006.

MIKE PEASLEY and Kelly Hood, Spencer, Iowa, were married May 12. Mike is sports director at KICD Radio. He received the News Media Award



from the Iowa High School Athletic Association during the 2007 boy's state basketball tournament in March. The award is given annually by the Board of Control to new media members who have contributed greatly to the success of the Iowa High School Interscholastic athletic program.

Dr. **RACHAEL O'DONNELL POTTER**, Denver, Colo., is practicing with the Sowash Optometry group.

AMANDA VYVERBERG SANDERMAN, Waverly, Iowa, received her M.E. from Viterbo University, LaCrosse, Wis. She teaches science at Waverly-Sheil Rock High School.

MICHAEL and CARRIE COOPER '07 STADTMUELLER, Fort Collins, Colo., announce the birth of Jonah Steven, May 10. He joins Gabriel, 2½.

NICOLLE QUAM TROW, Atlanta, Ga., received Teacher of the Year. She is a fifth grade teacher at Northwood Elementary, Roswell.

AMY PETERSON WIMMER, Madison, Wis., is a brand manager with Kimberly-Clark.

TRINA ZWICKER, Washington, D.C., is the Asia desk officer for U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services. She manages international operations for USCIS in Asia.

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Björn and **ERIN LARSON ANDERSON**, Ann Arbor, Mich., announce the birth of Lars Magnus, July 27.

HOLLY WULKOW ANDERSON and TAYLOR ANDERSON '99, Ankeny, Iowa, announce the birth of Reed Fitzgerald, April 23. He joins Olivia, 3. They are teachers at Ankeny High School. Taylor is a licensed Realtor with Burnett Realty, Clive.

JENNIFER BEACH, Denver, Colo., is a school social worker with the Jefferson County Public Schools.

Jerome and **PATTY FOREMAN BENTON**, Aurora, Colo., announce the birth of William Cayden, Jan. 15. He joins Anjonae, 5, and Kamyra, 2. Patty partnered and purchased an online networking group, Virtual Business Group, established to bring online business professionals together at www.virtualbizgroup.com. She runs a virtual assistant and coaching businesses (www.moretime4u.org).

KARA CASPERS, Madison, Wis., is a deputy sheriff with the Dane County Sheriff's Department.

LAURIE WILKINSON DONALD, Van Horne, Iowa, was named district coach of the year by the Iowa Basketball Coaches Association. Laurie is with the Benton Community School District.

HEATHER FINK, Billings, Mont., is the grants associate with St. Vincent Healthcare Foundation.

CINDY GEERTS and Shannon Rieck, Ladora, Iowa, were married Sept. 16, 2006. Cindy is a parent educator and family support worker doing PAT and FaDSS/Cornerstone with Young Parents Network.

MARK and EMILY SHEPPARD '98 HAUSSMANN, Mount Vernon, Ohio, announce the birth of Mae Margaret, July 13. She joins Kate, 1½.

SUSAN GINDT HEISERMAN, Chicago, Ill., received her D.M.A. in collaborative piano and coaching in May from University of Minnesota. She is an artistic administrator, freelance accompanist and coach.

Terry and **TESSA WOLLENZIEN HEMANN**, Mineral Point, Wis., announce the birth of Millie Grace, Dec. 4, 2006. She joins Lucy, 3.

JAMES and Jazmin HEUTON, Aurora, Colo., announce the birth of Lilianna May, April 18. James is with the Social Security Administration.

KNIGHTS IN THE NEWS

ERIC KURTZ, Arvada, Colo. is a configuration manager with Pratt & Whitney.

Dr. **TALENCE KASIYAMHURU-MUCHERERA**, Shawnee, Kan., graduated in June 2006 from University of Iowa Dental College, Iowa City. She is in private practice in Kansas City.

Dr. **STEVEN MINDRUP**, St. Paul, Minn., gave the address to outstanding academic achievers at his alma mater, Clear Lake (Iowa) High School.

CHRISTOPHER NOELCK, Atlantic, Iowa, is a trooper with the Iowa State Patrol.

Troy and **CARMEN SCHNELL PETERSON**, LaCrosse, Wis., announce the birth of Aubrey Faith, Nov. 24, 2006. She joins Evan, 4, and Ella, 2.

Drs. Kevin and **STEPHANIE COURSON POTHOVEN**, Bloomfield Hills, Mich., announce the birth of Sophia Grace, Feb. 26, 2006. Stephanie graduated in July from urology residency at Michigan State University, East Lansing. She joined the Iowa Clinic Department of Urology, Des Moines, Iowa.

ROB and Erin **RINDELS**, Iowa City, Iowa, announce the birth of Tyler James, June 25. He joins Austin 2½. Rob is a financial adviser and registered principal for Ameriprise Financial.

EMILY DORWAY RUTLEDGE, Waverly, Iowa, is a business analysis administrator with Martin Brothers Distributing, Cedar Falls.

MICHAEL STANTON, Center Point, Iowa, is a director of CRM Solutions with Infinity Contact.

TIM STOCKMAN, Dayton Beach, Fla., is vice president of marketing and government relations with Ocean Waters, a coastal resort and development company.

Mike and the Rev. **AMY SEVERSON STRYDOM**, Tripoli, Iowa, announce the birth of Noah Michael, Aug. 1.

VICTOR THU and Yoko Kaji, Santa Clara, Calif., announce the birth of Noella, July 18.

WENDY NAAKTGEBOREN YODER, Central City, Iowa, is a donor resource consultant with the Mississippi Valley Regional Blood Center.

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SARAH ALBERTSON-CORKERY, Cedar Falls, Iowa, conducted marketing sessions April 13 at the 2007 Kansas Association of Health Care Communicators annual spring conference, Lawrence, Kan. She is director of health care marketing at Mathis, Earnest & Vandeventer.

MATTHEW and **SHELLY MARSHALL '99 ARMSTRONG**, Marion, Iowa, announce the birth of Norah Faye, March 2. Matthew is a vocal music teacher at Washington High School. Shelly is a music therapist with Amenity Hospice and accompanist at Washington High School. They travel throughout the Midwest with their music ministry, The Marshalls (www.themarshallsmusic.com).

BEN and **ERIN WHITEHILL BARTLETT**, Cedar Falls, Iowa, announce the birth of Kaia Grace, Aug. 3. She joins Charlie, 4, and Bailey, 2.

Dr. **JOHN** and **CHELSEA KASPAREK '99 BARE**, Centertown, Mo., announce the birth of Caitlin Ann, April 27.

Job and **JILL BIWER BERAN**, Lime Springs, Iowa, announce the birth of Jaylyn Marie, Jan. 27. She joins J.D., 4, and Joy, 2.

AMY LAWSON BIGGS and **BRIAN BIGGS '99**, Clive, Iowa, announce the birth of Annika Jane, Dec. 24, 2006. She joins Jack, 2. Amy is a stay-at-home mom. Brian is a pricing consultant with Nationwide Insurance.

Keith and **REBECCA HEYING BUCKRIDGE**, Alta Vista, Iowa, announce the birth of Quinn Michael, April 26. He joins Elizabeth, 8, Landon, 7, Gabrielle, 5, and Nolan, 3.

Jonathan and **SHANNON SCHMIDT BURNS**, Trempealeau, Wis., announce the birth of Jackson Ray, March 13. He joins Bryce, 4½.

LISA JOSTAND CARTER and **JOE CARTER '99**, Emmetsburg, Iowa, announce the birth of Tate Robert, May 14. He joins Lindsay, 5, and Luke, 3.

BEN and Katie **CHRISTENSEN**, Ankeny, Iowa, announce the birth of Charles Benjamin, Oct. 7, 2005.

Richard and **AMY JO JOHNSON FERTIG**, Brighton, Colo., announce the birth of Jordan Sari, March 2. She joins Jack, 1. Amy Jo is an associate veterinarian with Banfield, The Pet Hospital, Arvada.

The Rev. **BRYCE FORMWALT**, Johnsburg, Ill., is the lead pastor at Joyful Harvest Church.

KARRIS GOLDEN, Waterloo, Iowa, was appointed by Gov. Chet Culver as one of 15 Iowans to serve on the newly created Generation Iowa. The commission will study ways to improve the state's ability to retain young professionals working and living in Iowa. Karris is assistant director of Wartburg communication and marketing and editor of *Wartburg Magazine*.

PATTI FRANSEN MEYER and **JASON MEYER '99**, Waukegan, Iowa, announce the birth of Tyler Edward, Feb. 16. He joins Emma, 2½. Jason is in the marketing department with *USA Today*.

KIRSTEN JASPER and Greg Sattizahn, Pierre, S.D., announce the birth of Jonah Lee Sattizahn, Feb. 9. He joins Emily 2½.

ZACK and **JILL PICKARD**, New Sharon, Iowa, announce the birth of Ava DeAnn, Oct. 14, 2006. Zack is with The Identity Group, Grinnell.

KEVIN ROHNE, Waverly, Iowa, is a teacher with Waverly-Shell Rock Community Schools.

Rick and **JACKI BINGHAM SCHAALMA**, Juneau, Wis., announce the birth of Jenna Marie, April 24. She joins Megan, 4, and Tara, 2.

JULIE NYSTEL SCHENDEL, Des Moines, Iowa, is a vice president of marketing services for Wells Fargo.

Dr. **JONATHON SCHWAKE**, San Antonio, Texas, graduated in May from University of Iowa College of Medicine, Iowa City. He is in the internal medicine residency program at Wilford Hall Medical Center on Lakeland Air Force Base.

KARLENE TRUSLER, San Jose, Calif., is a program manager with Cisco System.

KARI BASLER WEISE, Davenport, Iowa, is an occupational therapist with Trinity Work Fitness.

KIMBERLY CALDWELL WILDEBUER, Coralville, Iowa, is an optician with McDonald Optical.

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For more information, go to www.wartburg.edu/oc

Kuester clan born with 'orange blood'

by Michelle Caldwell '08

In 1935 Arnold Kuester weighed his options. He could attend St. Paul's Seminary in Minnesota or Wartburg College in Iowa.

The teenager, raised on a farm in Riplinger, Wis., wanted to pursue ministry. After engaging in conversation with a Wartburg students at an event, Kuester decided to be a Knight. Joining the football and baseball teams, he eventually changed his major to biology and picked up a coaching endorsement.

Through the years, Kuester, who passed away in April, and his family regularly returned to Wartburg for Homecoming and sporting events. He and his wife, Myrna, brought their children to cheer on the Knights.

"I was exposed to Wartburg at a very early age," said Charles Kuester '75 of Everly, Iowa. "I was always impressed with their class and professionalism when walking through the campus."

This professionalism was enough to ensure siblings Charles and Lynn Kuester Ness '73 would attend Wartburg.

The siblings may have thought moving on to college meant separating, but that was far from the case. Close in age, they lived across the hall from each other in the Manors.

Charles said some parties were all day events. "Cartoon parties were a big thing when we were in college; we would prep at 6 a.m. with breakfast and then go to the athletic events together as house."

Like his dad, Charles played football for the Knights and obtained his coaching endorsement. Lynn went on to major in music education and is an elementary school teacher in of Prescott Valley, Ariz.

Charles also followed his father into a career in education. He is principal at Royal-Clay High School.

He remains impressed with Wartburg's "tremendous alumni base" and quality students. "There is no better place to get an education than Wartburg—that's the bottom line!"

Like their father, Charles' children took up residence in the Manors when they attended Wartburg. Adam Kuester, now of Cedar Falls, Iowa, graduated in 2004. His sister, Katy Kuester '07, enrolled that fall. "I grew up with 'orange blood,' so it kind of transferred over. I came here so many times to see my brother and fiancé, so it was always

in the back of my mind to come here," said Katy, whose fiancé, Ben Thomsen '06, also attended Wartburg and played men's golf.

There was never any pressure to keep the Wartburg tradition alive, said Adam. Instead, he was encouraged to explore his college options and find that "fit." He credits the personable environment and welcoming faculty and staff with helping him select Wartburg.

"The biggest reason my family wanted me to come to Wartburg was because they all said it was the best four years of their life," added Adam, who agrees with their assessment.

Although Adam's times at Wartburg were different than his dad's days of bellbottoms and disco music, Wartburg has always been a part of the family's consciousness.

"It's evident that Wartburg is looking to the future," said Adam.

"When the time rolls around when my children are deciding where to go to school, I could definitely see them choosing Wartburg. It was a great school when my grandfather was there, it was even better when I was there, and I can only expect it to be that much better 20 years from now."



The children and grandchildren of the late Arnold Kuester '38, seated, gathered for a family alumni photo earlier this year. They include grandson Adam Kuester '04, son Charles Kuester '75, daughter Lynn Kuester Ness '73 and granddaughter Katy Kuester '07.

Caldwell is a communication arts major from Washington, Iowa.

KNIGHTS IN THE NEWS

JENNIFER AFDAHL and Lowell Rice, Oakland, Calif., were married June 16. Jennifer was promoted to lending manager with RSF Social Finance.

DAN and **AMY SMITH ANDERSON**, Mankato, Minn., announce the birth of Olivia, Dec. 5, 2006. She joins Isabel, 2. Dan is principal at Maple River High School. Amy is an adjunct professor of social work at Minnesota State University.

KEVIN ARCHER, Albia, Iowa, is an eighth grade math teacher with the Albia Community School District.

DEBRA BEHNE, Waverly, Iowa, is a program manager at Exceptional Person, Inc., Waterloo.

JOHN and Heather **BERGMAN**, Jesup, Iowa, announce the birth of Kaylie Elizabeth, May 8.

Scott and **SUMMER ANDERSON BIELKE**, Rosemount, Minn., announce the birth of Owen Scott, April 4. Summer is with Northern Tool and Equipment as a credit marketing analyst, Burnsville.

JAY and **STEPHANIE ROBBINS BOEDING**, Ankeny, Iowa, announce the birth of Xavier Lloyd, April 26. Stephanie is freelance editor/proofreader and stay-at-home mom.

DIANA BUSCH and Levin Conway, Tacoma, Wash., were married Dec. 29, 2006. Diana is a community coordinator for L'Arche Tahoma Hope.

MATT and Dr. **ABBY NIPP '01 DETTMER**, Mason City, Iowa, announce the birth of Collin Thomas, Feb. 12. He joins Hailey, 2.

BRIAN EASTMAN, Arlington, Texas, is an alternative classroom teacher and varsity tennis coach with Timberview High School, Mansfield.

DAWN EIMERS and Shawn Landon, Council Bluffs, Iowa, were married Sept. 15. Dawn is in her sixth year with the Pottawattamie County attorney's office.

LUCY COLLINS EVANS, Waterloo, Iowa, is the principal at Lincoln Elementary School.

EKATERINA LEDOVSKIKH FAY, Chicago, Ill., earned an M.B.A. degree in June from University of Chicago Graduate School of Business with concentrations in finance, marketing, managerial and organizational behavior. She is an associate with McKinsey & Co.

JEFF FERGURSON, Waterloo, Iowa, was awarded one of two 2007 awards for outstanding achievement in education by the Waterloo Human Rights Commission. He teaches at the Walter Cunningham School of Excellence.

AMANDA HAES, Iowa City, Iowa, is an assistant professor of chemistry at University of Iowa. Her group's research focuses on synthesizing, characterizing and controlling the environment around nanometer-sized particles for fundamental studies and sensor applications. She was named as a Camille and Henry Dreyfus New Faculty Scholar and a recipient of an Office of Naval Research Young Investigator Award.

MATTHEW HANSEN, Sioux Falls, S.D., is the general manager with Sioux Falls Canaries Baseball.

MATT HEMPING, Des Moines, Iowa, is a supervisor with Nationwide Insurance.

Dr. **JON KAMMERER**, Cresco, Iowa, completed his residence at Mercy Family Medicine Residency, Mason City. He is a family medicine physician with the Cresco Medical Clinic and Howard County Regional Health Center.

ANDY and **JONI HARRISON '01 KLEMERSRUD**, Rockford, Iowa, announce the birth of Drew Ryan, Jan. 15. He joins Nolan, 2. Andy is the athletic director and head baseball and golf coach at Rockford High School. Joni teaches middle school language arts at Nora Springs-Rocks Falls and adjunct/online instructor for AIB College.

JENNIFER COX KURTZ, Arvada, Colo., is a senior engineer with Hydrogen Validation at the National Renewable Energy Laboratory.

DAN and Sara **LAHEY**, West Des Moines, Iowa, announce the birth of Grace Addison, July 10. Dan is an audit manager with Denman & Company, LLP.

ERIC and Jen **LARSEN**, Lino Lakes, Minn., announce the birth of Sophia Grace, April 15.

KRIS LIEN and Leslie Mitchell, Fort Dodge, Iowa, were married June 9.

MELISSA MILLER, Waverly, Iowa, received a M.A. in teaching and learning in July 2006 from Kaplan University. She is a kindergarten teacher at Southeast Elementary School.

LYNNE PETEFISH MILLERMON, Waterloo, Iowa, is a certified wound and ostomy nurse with Covenant Wound Clinic. She is in the MSN program at Allen College of Nursing studying to become an Acute Care Nurse Practitioner.

Dr. **JENNIFER NETTLETON**, Houston, Texas, is an assistant professor cardiovascular disease epidemiology in the division of epidemiology and disease control at University of Texas Health Sciences Center.

SARA BAKER NETZLEY, Morton, Ill., completed her dissertation in July 2006: *Television, Gays, and Gay Marriage: A Cultivation Study of Television's Relationship with Opinions about Same-Sex Marriage*. She graduated in December 2006 from Southern Illinois University Carbondale with a Ph.D. and works as an assistant professor of communication at Bradley University, Peoria.

JOHN and **JAMIE SULLIVAN RIESER**, New Ulm, Minn., announce the birth of Elijah Luke, Aug. 23. He joins Isaiah, 3½, and Isabel, 2. John is an accountant with Eide Bailly, LLP, Madelia. Jamie is a stay-at-home mom.

Brandon and **HEATHER ARCAUTE STARR**, Maquoketa, Iowa, announce the birth of Finley Ann Marie, March 3.

ANNA TESDAHL, Denver, Colo., announces the birth of Tanner James, June 11. She received a master's degree in curriculum and instruction from Colorado Christian University, Lakewood.

SARAH HINRICHS THEIN, Ventura, Iowa, was promoted to assistant cashier-information technology/operations with Clear Lake and Trust, Clear Lake.

2000
The Rev. **LIZ ALBERTSON**, Tempealeau County, Wis., was ordained at Zion Lutheran Church, Oelwein, Iowa, June 25, 2006. She is the pastor at North Beaver Creek Lutheran Church.

Scott and **KATIE KELTING BAUER**, West Des Moines, Iowa, announce the birth of Cade Andrew, March 9. He joins Brody, 2½.

BRANDI BECKER and Matthew Mensching, Jesup, Iowa, were married Oct. 7, 2006.

Chris and **RACHEL SIMMER BIENEMANN**, Readlyn, Iowa, announce the birth of Sydney Elizabeth, Jan. 20. She joins Taylor, 7, Jordan, 3, and Derek, 2.

Dr. **COURTNEY BOCHMANN**, Hampton, Iowa, joined the staff of providers who practice family medicine at Franklin General Hospital and Franklin Medical Center Aug. 13.

GREG and Trisha **CHAMBERS**, Sunrise, Fla., announce the birth of Braden Anthony, October 2006.

LeANNE CLAUSEN, Chicago, Ill., received her M.A. in Christian-Muslim relations and is in the Master of Divinity program at Chicago Theological Seminary. She is completing ordination requirements in the Presbyterian Church. In Chicago, LeAnne has founded a multi-seminary servant/justice organization, SeminaryAction.org.

Brandon and **MOLLY O'MEARA CLUBB**, Traer, Iowa, announce the birth of Brody Micheal, Aug. 2, 2006. He joins Calia, 2½. Molly owns and operates Mo Co. Creative Services.

CASEY DOYLE, Hiawatha, Iowa, is a physical therapist with PCI, Cedar Rapids.

STACY DEMRO DRUMTRA, Mount Prospect, Ill., received her M.S. in communication June 16 from Northwestern University, Evanston. She is a communications project leader with Blue Cross Blue Shield of Illinois.

Andy and **RENEE STAHL DUNN**, Highlands Ranch, Colo., announce the birth of Landon William, May 29.

CRYSTALL LARSON ESTABROOK, Marshalltown, Iowa, received her M.B.A. May 12 from Upper Iowa University, Fayette.

Dan and **CHARLANA GRAHAM GUBBINS**, Polk City, Iowa, announce the birth of Anna Francel "Annie," Sept., 8, 2006.



KNIGHTS IN THE NEWS

JAMIE HOMAN and Todd Anthony, Richfield, Minn., were married August 2006. Jamie graduated with M.S.W. in May.

ELIZABETH ROESCH HUFFMAN, Edgewater, Colo., received a M.S.W. from University of Denver Graduate School of Social Work. She is a caseworker with the Early Intervention Services voluntary unit with the Jefferson County Division of Children, Youth and Families.

Dr. **MICHAEL** and **ASHLEY THOMPSEN JORGENSEN**, Ames, Iowa, announce the birth of Anya Noel, Aug. 18, 2005.

TIM KANGAS, Waverly, Iowa, is the talented and gifted teacher at the Cedar Falls High School.

JERROD and **KYRA RAINS KEITH**, Aurora, Colo., announce the birth of Carson Richard, Feb. 9. He joins Camryn, 2½.

KELLY ORR LOONTJER, Omaha, Neb., is a media development manager with Info USA.

Bill and **LAURA KRESSER MARTH**, Fountain, Colo., announce the birth of Malia Kaitlyn, March 26. Laura is assistant director of public relations with Goodwill Industries of Colorado Springs.

DEREK and **AMBER MYHR MILLER**, Des Moines, Iowa, announce the birth of Lincoln Thomas, Oct. 6, 2006. He joins Kade, 5, and Jaxson, 3.

RYAN and **KRISTEN NAUMAN '01 MITCHELL**, Ottumwa, Iowa, announce the birth of Quenton Davis, Jan. 28. He joins Lillian, 2. Ryan became partner at Orsborn, Baurle, Milaini, Grothe and Mitchell Law firm.

JENNIFER MORREY and Jeff Rodger, Watertown, Wis., were married in September 2006. Jennifer is a 5-12 grade band teacher with the Hustisford School District.

SARAH MUSSELMAN and Migual Sanchez, Fort Collins, Colo., were married Nov. 25, 2006.

SHANE POTRATZ and Kati Bosacker, Story City, Iowa, were married Sept. 8. Shane is a youth director at Immanuel Lutheran Church.

RYAN RASMUSSEN and **ALYSSA PIXLER '01**, Waverly, Iowa, were married Oct. 28, 2006. Ryan is an attorney and partner with Goeke & Rasmussen.

Adam and **KATIE McCANN RIPPENTROP**, Tipton, Iowa, announce the birth of Danica Jeanne, Jan. 27. Katie is with West Liberty Foods.

JOEL ROCHFORD, New Hampton, Iowa, is in sales with Sullivan Insurance.

Sean and **STEPHANIE SMITH ST. CYR**, Lakewood, Colo., announce the birth of Isobel Josephine, Aug. 25, 2006. Stephanie is in private practice as a music therapist, Denver.

PAUL and **CARRIE ETHERINGTON SEBERGER**, Boise, Idaho, announce the birth of Isaac Paul, June 5, 2006. He joins Aaron, 3, and Ellie, 2. Paul is a product engineer with Micron Technologies. Carrie is a stay-at-home mom.

JASON and **BRIANA SIMOENS STEFFENS**, Cedar Rapids, Iowa, announce the birth of Noah Michael, Jan. 12. He joins Hannah, 3. Jason is an attorney with Simmons Perrine, PLC.

JOHN STENSON and Shannon Barry, Crystal, Minn., were married June 16.

LISA SWAB, Ankeny, Iowa, is a solutions analyst with Nationwide Insurance, Des Moines.

Dr. **JENNIFER HANCOCK WANG**, Westwood Hills, Kan., accepted a pediatric emergency medicine fellowship with Children's Mercy Hospital, Kansas City, Mo.

NATHAN and **MEREDITH HILL ZIETLOW**, Le Claire, Iowa, announce the birth of Owen David John, Nov. 18, 2006. He joins Daniel, 2.

2001 MATTHEW and Nikki **ALLERS**, Davenport, Iowa, announce the birth of Henry Matthew, April 23.

Andy and **TRACIA SCHAU ANDERSEN**, Delmar, Iowa, announce the birth of Brady David, March 3.



SHALENE BOGARDUS BARATTA, Omaha, Neb., received her master's degree in literacy from Concordia University, Nebraska. Her degree includes an endorsement to teach English as a Second Language and certification as a K-12 reading specialist.

JENNIFER HORSTMANN CAVANAGH, St. Louis, Mo., graduated from Barnes-Jewish College of Nursing. She is a registered nurse in the ICU at Missouri Baptist Medical Center.

BROCK COLE, Mobile, Ala., received his master's degree from the U.S. Sports Academy.

WENDY COX, Austin, Texas, is manager at Crofts Original.

Jason and **JANEL RAY DeZARN**, Randolph, Wis., announce the birth of Zander Clark, Nov. 6, 2006. He joins Hayden, 1½.

MOLLY MASON FLYNN, Washington, Iowa, is the administrator at Family Practice Center.

Douglas and **ALLISON SCHULTZ FRAZELL**, West Des Moines, Iowa, announce the birth of Luke Douglas, March 15. He joins Noah, 1½.

AMY GERARD, North Liberty, Iowa, is a social worker working with elderly in mental health outreach and case management with Aging Services, Inc., Cedar Rapids, Iowa. She received her M.S.W. in 2003 from Saint Louis (Mo.) University. She was licensed in 2005.

JOHN GIBBONS and Erica Cook, St. Louis Park, Minn., announce the birth of Mason McIntosh, May 8. John is a national sales consultant with Securian Financial Group, St. Paul.

AMANDA PORTER GREUBEL, DeWitt, Iowa., received her M.S.W. May 13 from St. Ambrose University, Davenport. She is a case manager with Generations Area Agency on Aging, Davenport.

EMILY HAMER, Farmington, N.M., is a gifted and talented teacher at Mesa Alta Junior High, Bloomfield.

Dr. **KATHERINE PLEGGENKUHLE HANSEN**, Sioux Falls, S.D., is a chiropractor/owner of The Chiropractor at Four Hills.

CAMERON HENNEKE, Chicago, Ill., is with Hostway Corporation as a software developer.

KRISTINA HILL, Charlotte, N.C., was promoted to media relations manager with The Inspiration Networks.

MARK HUBBARD, Waverly, Iowa, is the head football coach at Waverly-Shell Rock High School.

Don and **AMY DREES JOHNSON**, Marion, Iowa, announce the birth of Emrie, May 30.

SARA KNAVEL and Paul Fisher, Omaha, Neb., were married May 26.

CHRISTOPHER KURZER, Orlando, Fla., is with Walt Disney Entertainment.

JEANA LARSON, Coralville, Iowa, is a graduate student and pursuing a master's degree in music education at University of Iowa, Iowa City.

DAVID LINDNER and Kelly Richer, Baldwin, Wis., announce the birth of Kyleigh Marie, April 2. She joins Ryan, 2.

CHRISTINE LIVINGSTON and James Trahms, Ankeny, Iowa, were married Oct. 29, 2005. Christine is employed by Romney for President, Inc., Urbandale.

JIM and Jennifer **MARLIN**, Waterloo, Iowa, announce the birth of Grace Olivia, Feb. 6. Jim is a territory manager with Mudd Advertising, Cedar Falls.

JENNIFER HARBAL MARTINOVICI, Medford, Minn., is an accountant with Diversified Graphics, Inc., Minneapolis.

MINDY MEYER, Alexandria, Va., is the creative producer for Mobile Posse, McLean.

RACHEL MARTELL MOELLER, St. Paul, Minn., completed a master's degree in book history/print culture. She works as a production assistant at University of Minnesota Press. Her husband, Michael '02, is a band director at Centennial Middle school, Lino Lakes..

KIRSTEN NELSON and Steven Roenfeldt, Indian Hills, Colo., were married Dec. 30, 2006. Kirsten received a M.S.W. from Colorado State University in 2005. She currently is a student at Iliff School of Theology, Denver, to become a minister in the ELCA.

TARA PRICE and **CHRIS WINTER '04**, Waverly, Iowa, were married in the Wartburg Chapel, July 14.

LEAH SHADOW and Russell Pullin, Evansdale, Iowa, were married Aug. 4. Leah is head of graphic design at National Automotive Marketing, Waterloo.

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SARAH SPELTZ, Boston, Mass., completed her master's degree in English at Winona State University, Winona, Minn.

NATHAN STOLTMAN, Duluth, Minn., is with Northland's NewsCenter as the creative services director overseeing promotion, marketing and commercial production for KBJR-TV (NBC), KDLH-TV (CBS), Northland's CW, My 9, Weather Plus and KRIT-TV.

Isaac and **DAWN BESCHORNER SUNDBERG**, Waterloo, Iowa, announce the birth of Caden Leon, May 8.

MATTHEW THEDE and **JESSICA KURGER**, Cedar Rapids, were married July 31, 2005.

ERIC and Andrea **TOWNSLEY**, Van Horne, Iowa, announce the birth of Emma, March 4, 2006.

STEPHANIE WALLUKS and Bryan Adams, Monticello, Wis., were married May 5. Stephanie is a stay-at-home mom.

2002
NATHAN ADAIR, North Liberty, Iowa, is a certified personal trainer and office manager with Adair Chiropractic, P.L.C.

SARAH ALDERFER and Bryce Brimhall, Corona, Calif., were married April 7. Sarah is the office manager with Liquid Health, Inc.

CODY and Teresa **ALESCH**, Graettinger, Iowa, announce the birth of Sacha Ann, May 22.

ELY ANDERSON and Stephan Whitaker, Chicago, Ill., were married May 5. Ely was selected to participate in Synergy: The Illinois Library Leadership Initiative, sponsored by the State of Illinois and the Illinois Library Association. She is one of 28 librarians selected from throughout the state for the program, which recruits and nurtures future Illinois library leaders. Ely is a reference librarian and online search services and outreach coordinator for the library of Rush University Medical Center.

Tom and **TARA HAINSTOCK ATKINSON**, Madrid, Iowa, announce the birth of Isabel Ann, March 26. Tara is with Pioneer Hi-bred International, Johnston.

JASMINE BAXTON, Marietta, Ga., released a CD single and signed with CSP Music Group. She is the owner of J. R. Baxton Entertainment.

JILL MARIE BIWER, Ankeny, Iowa, announces the birth of Ryder William, Oct. 9, 2006.

JAMIE BREITBACH and Matt Wiehe, Scottsdale, Ariz., were married July 28 in the Wartburg Chapel. Jamie is the project manager for Barrett-Jackson Auction Company.

AIMEE CLINE and Joe Greene, Marshalltown, Iowa, were married April 29, 2006.

Pete and **LISA TOMFORDE EDWARDS**, St. Cloud, Minn., announce the birth of Lily, May 9.

TIMOTHY ELDRIDGE and Jessica Reed, Denver, Colo., were married May 5.

KATIE SCHATZ FERRIE, Cresco, Iowa, was promoted to marketing director and officer of Cresco Union Savings Bank.

KRISTA GALLAGHER and Jason Colt, Lauderdale, Minn., were married Oct. 13, 2006. Krista is the director of prospect research at Luther Seminary, St. Paul. She is a nonprofit management graduate student at Hamline University.

BRAD HOFER, West Des Moines, Iowa, is the head men's and women's cross-country coach with Simpson College, Indianola. He owns Hofer Fitness Training and Consulting, based out of Acceleration Iowa, Urbandale.

KERI HOUDEK and Andy Nelson, Altoona, Iowa, were married Aug. 27, 2005. Keri is a sales consultant with Citibank Home Equity.

RYAN and **KATIE KAMAUS '04 HOUTS**, Cedar Falls, Iowa, announce the birth of Benjamin Fredrek, April 19.

HEATHER JOHNSON RAUSCH, New Hampton, Iowa, is a sales associate with American Solutions for Business.

Dr. **VALARIE DREES KELER**, Cedar Falls, Iowa, opened Keller Chiropractic, Waverly, in January.

LINDSAY OELKERS KUHLE, Seoul, South Korea, teaches third grade at the Seoul Foreign School.

ROBIN KUNTZ and Rick Hankins, Franklin, Wis., were married Oct. 21, 2006.

JAMIE NORTON, West Des Moines, Iowa, is a loan officer-CMC with Wells Fargo Financial.

KATHRYN PADLEY and James Bolo, Evanston, Ill., were married Sept. 16, 2006.

Jeremy and **RACHEL SCHWEER PAGE**, Tripoli, Iowa, announce the birth of Dallas, June 7. He joins NoraJean, 9½, Austin, 7, and Houston, 7.

THAD PECK and Alissa Olsen, Tucson, Ariz., were married June 23.

SARAH PLINER PETERS, Marion, Iowa, is a preschool teacher with the Springville Elementary School, Springville.

Dr. **KASANDRA RILEY**, New Haven, Conn., defended her Ph.D. thesis, *RNA-p53 Interactions: In Vitro, In Yeast, and In Human Cells*. She graduated May 19 from Mayo Clinic College of Medicine, Mayo Graduate School, Rochester, Minn. She is a postdoctoral research fellow at Yale University School of Medicine, studying the role of Epstein-Barr viral micro RNAs in cancer etiology.

MITCHELL RONNEI, Chicago, Ill., is a sales representative with Allied Insurance.

RANDY SCHUMACHER and Megan Reuther, Readlyn, Iowa, announce the birth of Alexander August Schumacher, Jan. 18.

Dean and **ELIZABETH MEYER SCHWADE**, Lime Springs, Iowa, announce the birth of Brooke Lyn, May 7.

JASON and Dana **SULLIVAN**, New Hartford, Iowa, announce the birth of Jude Vaughn, July 8, 2006.



ERIN SINNWELL TRACY, Rochester, is with Carson Framing, an art and framing gallery.

Mark and **BECKY KRAHLING SLOAN**, Onawa, Iowa, announce the birth of Caleb Thomas, Jan. 8. He joins Makenna, 1½.

JOSEPH TANGEN, Pella, Iowa, is a 6-8 grade choir director, and his wife, **BETHANY WICKRE TANGEN**, is a sixth grade science teacher with the Pella Community School District.

ISAAC and **KAYTIE CLARK THOMPSON**, Fairfield, Calif., announce the birth of Chloe Grace, Jan. 8.

RYAN and **JESSICA ANTHONY '03 TYE**, Rochester, Minn., announce the birth of Aydan Keith, April 16, 2006.

JASON UHLENHAK, West Des Moines, Iowa, is head athletic trainer and assistant baseball coach at Simpson College, Indianola.

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NATHAN and ANNE WOODRING WEAR, Fairfield, Iowa, announce the birth of Lauryn Elizabeth, Nov. 16, 2006. She joins Rhyse, 3.

AMY WIELAND, Wauke, Iowa, is a public relations coordinator with Iowa Health, Des Moines.

KIMBERLY HANSON WITT, Mount Vernon, Iowa, is a 10th grade English teacher for the Mount Vernon Community School District.

2003

Dr. **KARLA FLYNN ADAIR**, North Liberty, Iowa, opened Adair Chiropractic, P.L.C., March 5. She specializes in Active Release Techniques.

AMANDA BAKER BREZINA, Des Moines, Iowa, teaches 6-8 grade band at the Carlisle Community School District, Carlisle.

TONY BREZINA, Des Moines, Iowa, is with Brezina Homes with his father.

CHRISTOPHER BORK and **SARAH OLSON**, Neenah, Wis., were married June 30.

RYAN CATTERTON, Easton, Md., teaches music at Easton Elementary School.

JAMA CLARK and Matthew Fahrenkrog, Davenport, Iowa, were married April 21 in Punta Cana, Dominican Republic.

AMY CMELIK, Waverly, Iowa, is an elementary at-risk teacher with the Tripoli Community School District, Tripoli.

LUKE CUTKOMP, Yorkville, Ill., received his master's degree in education in May from Carroll College, Waukesha, Wis.

JOSEPH and Heather **GATTO**, Manchester, Iowa, announce the birth of Halle Elizabeth, Dec. 14, 2006.

Wes and **KELLY HOEFER GIBBS**, Anamosa, Iowa, announce the birth of Ava Rea, April 18. Kelly is an accountant II with Alliant Energy, Cedar Rapids.

AMANDA GRIZZLE, Richmond, Va., is a choir director at Varina High School with the Henrico County Public Schools.

Adam and **KATIE PERRINJAQUET HAGEMAN**, Decorah, Iowa, announce the birth of Aubrey Mae, Dec. 23, 2006. She joins Kole, 1.

FRANK HUGHES and Vanessa Miller, Boulder, Colo., were married July 28.

DANA ISAACSON, Waupaca, Wis., is program director with Crossways Camping Ministries at Pine Lake Camp. She returned from a year in the United Kingdom with Young Adults in Global Mission Program through the ELCA.

Doug and **STACI FRIEDMAN JANSMA**, Dell Rapids, S.D., announce the birth of Alexis Kay, Feb. 19.

MARK KOLPIN and **CHELSEY RODGERS '05**, Grinnell, Iowa, were married July 14. Chelsey is a seventh grade reading and language arts teacher at Grinnell Middle School.

KATHERINE BURG KOSTIUK, Seattle, Wash., is a master's student at University of Washington. Her emphasis is international studies, with a focus on Central Asia.

RYAN KUHL, Seoul, South Korea, teaches high school mathematics at the Seoul Foreign School.

Dr. **SALLY SIMONS LEITCH**, Minneapolis, Minn., graduated in May from University of Iowa Roy J. and Lucille A. Carver College of Medicine, Iowa City. She was awarded the 2007 Leonard Tow Humanism in Medicine Award from the Arnold P. Gold Foundation. She will begin her medical residency at Methodist Hospital, St. Louis Park.

Austin and **STEPHANIE McCLURE MEYERS**, State Center, Iowa, announce the birth of Hallie Elizabeth, July 18, 2006. Stephanie is a 4-8 grade band teacher at Clemons Lutheran School, Clemons.

JEREMY MICHAEL, Overland Park, Kan., is an applications adjudicator within the U.S. Department of Homeland Security, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services.

JASON NIEHAUS, Brooklyn, Iowa, after serving as senior adviser for events for former U.S. Rep. Jim Nussle's bid Iowa governor, was named the vice president for operations at Capitol Resources, Inc, a political fundraising and consulting company.

AUDRA RONSIEK OLSON, Hawarden, Iowa, is a music therapist with the Village Northwest Unlimited, Sheldon.

MILY PARCELL, Des Moines, Iowa, is Iowa political director for Sen. Barack Obama.

CHRIS PESCHAU and **GLORIA NORONHA '04**, Everett, Mass., were married May 27.

ANGIE PRIER and Kyle Theisen, Epworth, Iowa, were married Aug. 25. Angie is a defined contribution benefit associate with Prudential Financial, Dubuque.

MICHAEL RIPKE, Phoenix, Ariz., was promoted to sales assistant at Adams Brothers Interiors.

NICOLE ABBAS ROSONKE, New Hampton, Iowa, is a bank teller/loan officer with First Citizens National Bank.

Dr. **MELISSA BOEVERS SIMON, D.O.**, Madison, Wis., began her residency in family medicine at University of Wisconsin-Madison.

DEANNA OLSON SMOCK, Coralville, Iowa, is a substitute teacher with the Iowa City Community School District, Iowa City.

ERIN SWANCUTT, Indianola, Iowa, received her M.A. in education with an emphasis in postsecondary education-student affairs. She is a career counselor at Simpson College.

VINCENT WEST, Marion, Iowa, is a manager with Rockwell Collins, Cedar Rapids.

ANN WILHOITE BELL, Africa, completed her master's degree in counseling psychology in May at Northwestern University, Evanston, Ill. She is developing a mental health program for Jesuit Refugee Services, Lilongwe, Malawi.

JASON WILHOITE BELL, Africa, completed his master's degree in international studies in May at DePaul University, Chicago, Ill. He is program director for Jesuit Refugee Services, Lilongwe, Malawi.

TARA NORBERG YOUNG, Dallas, Wis., is a marketing services manager with CHR Solutions, a consulting firm based in Houston, Texas. She provides consultative marketing services and strategies to clients within the telecommunications industry.

2004

JED and Libby **BATTERSON**, Fredericksburg, Iowa, announce the birth of Emma, April 23. She joins, Hannah, 2½.

NICOLE BLECKWEHL, Bloomington, Minn., is a personal banker with Wells Fargo.

JACOB BOYD and **LAUREN KAHLER '07**, Marion, Iowa, were married June 2.

HILARY BAETHKE BURNS, Waverly, Iowa, received a master's degree in applied clinical psychology from University of Northern Iowa, Cedar Falls, December 2006. She works for Families First Counseling Services in Waterloo.

RENEE CLARK, Waverly, Iowa, is the assistant director for Wartburg alumni and parent programs/music tour coordinator.

JAMES CORY, Cedar Falls, Iowa, received his M.B.A. from University of Northern Iowa. He is employed with W. W. Grainger, Inc., Waterloo.

AARON COUNTRYMAN, Mount Pleasant, Iowa, is an agent with New York Life Insurance.

NICOLE DOUGHERTY, Cos Cob, Conn., is a sports administrator with Velocity Sports and Entertainment.

CHRISTINE EIGE, Marshalltown, Iowa, works for ELCA global missions.

KIM ESCHWEILER and Josh Shonka, Marion, Iowa, were married June 23. Kim is a registered nurse at St. Luke's NICU/Peds, Cedar Rapids.

KRISTIN HAASE and **NAT JUCHEMS '06**, Blaine, Minn., were married May 5.

JEREMY GOMEZ, West Des Moines, Iowa, is a loan processor with Wells Fargo Financial.

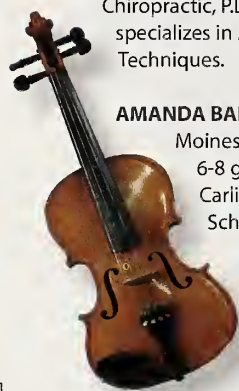
BETH GRAHAM, Iowa City, Iowa, received a Pharm.D. degree in May from University of Iowa College of Pharmacy.

AMY GUSTAFSON and Brian DeBuhr, Urbandale, Iowa, were married June 3, 2006. Amy is a physical therapist with Manor Care, West Des Moines.

BEN KAMMAN and **JOSEPHINE McDOWELL '06**, Marion, Iowa, were married Oct. 28, 2006.

VINCENT KING, Burlington, Iowa, is a real estate appraiser with Koestner, McGivern and Associates.

KARI KROGMANN, Lisbon, Iowa, is a 6-8 grade vocal teacher at Vernon Middle School, Marion.



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LINDSAY LARSEN, Las Vegas, Nev., is a human resources representative with Credit One Bank.

DEREK MEIER is a computer engineer with BAE Systems, Fridley, Minn.

MARTHA NOAH, Tripoli, Iowa, is a therapeutic massage therapist/owner of Noah's Nourishing Massage, Waterloo.

LISA PERRY and Sean Dolan, Renton, Wash., were married June 23.

KATY PRALLE, Latimer, Iowa, is the office manager and QMS feed analyst with Farmers Cooperative.

AMY SERFLATEN, Lincoln, Neb., is the director of Youth Ministries at Sheridan Lutheran Church.

MOLLY SLOAN and **TIM RODEMEYER '06**, Emmetsburg, Iowa, were married July 26, 2006.

APRIL CHERRY SHOWALTER, received her M.E. from Cardinal Stritch University, Milwaukee, Wis.

BRENT SHOWALTER, Indianapolis, Ind., received his J.D. and M.B.A., graduating summa cum laude from Marquette University Law School, Milwaukee, Wis. He is an attorney with Ice Miller LLP, Indianapolis.

MICHELLE SWIETER and Stephen Berndt, Coralville, Iowa, announce the birth of Grayce Lou Berndt, April 29.

ERIC THORNTON and Emily Streicher, Fairfield, Iowa, were married April 28.

SHENA WADIAN, Lubbock, Texas, received a M.A. in clinical psychology from Ball State University, Muncie, Ind., in May 2006. She is in the counseling psychology doctoral program at Texas Tech University.

DAREN ZAJICEK, Waverly, Iowa, is in marketing at Mudd Advertising, Cedar Falls.

2005

KRISTIN ANDERSON and Brad Taphorn, Lockport, Ill., were married Aug. 11, 2006.

EMILY BABCOCK, Johnston, Iowa, is a loan officer with Wells Fargo Financial, Des Moines.

NANCY FRANZEN BETHER, Lawler, Iowa, was promoted to loan officer assistant with the State Bank of Lawler.

ANDREA BOCKELMAN, North Liberty, Iowa, is a sales representative with RR Donnelley, Omaha, Neb.

BENJAMIN BRADY, Ames, Iowa, received his master's of science degree in information assurance and computer engineering in May from Iowa State University. He is an information technology specialist with the U.S. Department of Labor.

MARTA ERICKSON and Peter Smith, Westminster, Colo., were married May 12.

KATIE GELNER and Justin Hanson, Bloomington, Ind., were married June 23.

MARK GIESMANN and **AMANDA NELSON**, Pleasant Hill, Iowa, were married July 22, 2006.

TIM HOEKSTRA, Cedar Falls, Iowa, is in sales with ACES.

JANNAE HOLUBAR and **COLLIN LANE**, Des Moines, Iowa, were married June 16.

ASHLEY KNUTSON KIRCHHOFF, Austin, Minn., is a personal banker with Wells Fargo Bank, Albert Lea.

SARAH KLEINSMITH, Asheville, N.C., is an in-home educator for Early Head Start.

ANGELA KOHLHAAS, Norte Dame, Ind., received her M.S. degree in mathematics from University of Notre Dame in May.

BEN and **ANGIE ALTHOFF KRUEGER**, Waverly, Iowa, announce the birth of Caleb Benjamin, Nov. 27, 2006.

CHRISTOPHER LAUGHLIN, Gettysburg, Pa., is the intern/vicar at Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church, Freeport, through August 2008.

Kyle and **KATIE BECKER NELSON**, Waverly, Iowa, announce the birth of Toby Dean, Oct. 31, 2006.

KAMOL and Mushtariy **NEMATOV**, Uzbekistan, were married Sept. 21, 2006. Kamol is an executive director at Technology and Electronic Commerce Centre LLC.

GRETA REIN NIELSON, Waverly, Iowa, is a massage therapist with Oasis Tanning.

ERIN NORTHUP and **ANDREW DRAHOTA '06**, Waterloo, Iowa, were married June 23.

JOLISSA OHRT, Oelwein, Iowa, was named the Iowa 1A Girls' Volleyball Coach of the Year. She is the girls' volleyball head coach at Wapsie Valley Community School District, Fairbank. She also is a graduate student at University of Northern Iowa, Cedar Falls.

BRIAN PINS and Tiffany Treanor, Reynoldsburg, Ohio, were married June 2.

KAYE RASMUSSEN, Ham Lake, Minn., is an auditor for KPMG, Minneapolis.

RACHEL RICKINGER, Portland, Ore., is an admissions representative with the Western Culinary Institute.

CLINT RIESE, Waverly, Iowa, received first place for a series of articles on local government for professional excellence at the 2007 Iowa Newspaper Association convention Feb. 2, Des Moines. He is a staff writer with the *Waverly Democrat* and the *Bremer County Independent*.

ERIKA QUADE ROA, Seattle, Wash., is a part-time manager with Victoria's Secret.

PHILIP SCHROETTER, Cedar Rapids, Iowa, is a high school vocal music teacher with the Vinton-Shellsburg Community School District, Vinton. His wife, **SHANNON McDONNELL SCHROETTER**, is a registered nurse at University of Iowa Children's Hospital, Iowa City.

KELLIE SCHUTTE and Laura Fox, Luana, Iowa, were married June 2.

KAYLA SCHWICKERATH, Sycamore, Ill., was profiled in *We Do Math! Careers in the Mathematical Sciences*, a publication of the Mathematical Association of America. She is an executive with Target Distribution Center, DeKalb.

ADAM SANCHEZ and **ABBY TIERNAN**, West Des Moines, Iowa, were married Dec. 23, 2006.

KYLE WADE, Tiffin, Iowa, is in sales and service at Wade's Golf and Mow, Williamsburg.

JEREMY ZIEMER and **MARCIA RYE**, Ankeny, Iowa, were married July 14.

KEITH ZIETLOW, Manchester, Iowa, is the golf pro at the Manchester Golf Course.

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AMY ANDERSON, Cedar Falls, Iowa, is a graduate student in the MAE school counseling program at University of Northern Iowa. She also is a special education associate at Lincoln Elementary.

LIZ ANDREWS and David Gregg, Plymouth, Minn., were married Dec. 30, 2006.

TYLER ARCHER and **SHANNON LILLIBRIDGE**, Ankeny, Iowa, were married Dec. 29, 2006.

PHILLIP BARNETT and April Hummel, Clarksville, Iowa, were married Jan. 6.



TRAVIS BECK is a student at Luther Seminary, St. Paul, Minn.

AIMEE BIGGS, Sacramento, Calif., was promoted to associate development coordinator at the March of Dimes.

TOM BREKHUS and **AMANDA INDRA**, Indianapolis, Ind., were married July 21.

ERIC BRITTAIN and Janda Campbell, Minnetonka, Minn., were married April 28.

CARRIE REASON BROWN, Costa Mesa, Calif., is an admissions representative for the Brooks Institute of Photography, Santa Barbara.

JEFF CALLAHAN and **HOLLY MCGONEGLE**, Grimes, Iowa, were married June 23.

CORY CONNELL and Michelle Vogl, Ottumwa, Iowa, were married June 16. Cory is a physical education teacher and wrestling coach at Eddyville-Blakesburg High School.

CRAIG CRILE and **HEIDI PORTER '07**, Waterloo, Iowa, were married July 21. Craig is an account executive at Giant Marketing, Cedar Falls. Heidi is a personal trainer at Covenant Wellness Center.

EMILY DIEKER, Washington, D.C., is a graduate student at George Washington University.

KNIGHTS IN THE NEWS

JENNY FLORA and BRANDON VINZANT '07, Davenport, Iowa, were married July 7.

JESSE GAVIN, Pella, Iowa, is Pella sports director for KNIA/KRLS Radio, Pella/Knoxville. He covers sports at Pella, Pella Christian High School and Central College.

JEFF HACKBARTH, Cedar Rapids, Iowa, is a writer/director/video editor for Applied Media Production Services at University of Iowa College of Medicine/University of Iowa Health Care, Iowa City.

MEGAN HILDEBRANDT, Marshalltown, Iowa, passed her board exam to become a nationally certified music therapist. She is a music therapist with Iowa Hospice for the Waterloo, Iowa City and Marshalltown areas.

JUSTIN KADER, Chicago, Ill., is a volunteer for the Blue Gargoyle Adult Learning Program for the Americorp Literacy Volunteers of Illinois.

ANDREW KAHLER and Cara Steichen, Cedar Falls, Iowa, were married May 26.

AMY KENT, Waterloo, Iowa, is a legal assistant with Beecher Law Firm.

AMY KIELBLOCK, Columbus, Neb., is a middle school band director with the Columbus Public Schools.

ANDREW KRUSE and Dawn Renae, Austin, Minn., were married Feb. 17.

ABIGAIL MANSER, Urbandale, Iowa, is an outbound sales specialist loan officer with Wells Fargo Financial.

BRYCE MERCER, Des Moines, Iowa, is an individual investor specialist with The Principal Financial Group.

RYAN MOORMAN, Avon, Colo., is a real estate assistant with Slifer, Smith, Frampton Real Estate.

BRIAN MORE, West Union, Iowa, is an admission counselor with Upper Iowa University, Fayette.

MINDY MORRIS and BRIAN JOHNSON '07, Coon Rapids, Minn., were married Aug. 4. Brian is an elementary music specialist with St. Francis Schools.

CELESTE NAGEL and Tyler Rawlins, Austin, Minn., were married May 19.

NICK NEWGARD, Cedar Falls, Iowa, is a self-employed in agricultural sales.

KARI O'BRIEN is a family advocate with the Living Legacy Foundation, Baltimore, Md.

TRAVIS OLSON, Hawarden, Iowa, is the marketing director with Farmers Cooperative Society, Sioux Center.

ANDREW POTRATZ and ALLISON BARNES '09, Waverly, Iowa, were married June 2.

REBECCA ROBINSON, Iowa City, Iowa, is a staffing specialist with Manpower Temporary Services.

JAMES RODGERS, Austin, Minn., is a computer programmer with Hormel Foods.

ABIGAIL SCHALLER, Burnsville, Minn., is a program supervisor for school-aged child program with School District 191.

STEPHANIE SCHWARTZ and Gregory Ennis, Berkeley, Calif., were married Aug. 25.

GAVIN STEEGE, Fredericksburg, Iowa, is self-employed at Steege Construction, Inc.

KATHERINE STOFFEL, Davenport, Iowa, is an assistant program manager with Goup O Company, Milan, Ill.

STACY THARP, Monticello, Iowa, is a flight attendant with United Express.

SINEM TUNCER, Harlan, Iowa, is a Verizon realtor with Carmen Schwake.

CHRISTINA UFER and Travis Kane, Prescott, Wis., were married June 16. Christina is a music therapist with the Children's Hospitals and Clinics, Minneapolis, Minn.

DOMINIQUE WALLICAN, Waterloo, Iowa, was Courier Communications "Advertising Sales Person of the Month" for March.

LINDSAY WALTERS, West Des Moines, Iowa, is a nursing and rehab social service coordinator at the Panora Nursing and Rehab Center, Panora.

ALEK WIPPERMAN, Waverly, Iowa, is a field organizer with Obama for America.

BUD WINTER, Waverly, Iowa, is a territory manager with Mudd Advertising, Cedar Falls.

BETSEY WITT, Northfield, Minn., is a communications counselor with Neuger Communications Group.

Books, recordings by alumni and faculty



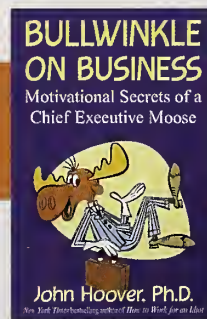
Knitting with Gigi
Karen Thalacker '88
Martingale and Company
ISBN: 978-1564777588

Thalacker and illustrator Mindy Dwyer created *Gigi*, who offers step-by-step knitting tips, poems and fun illustrations.



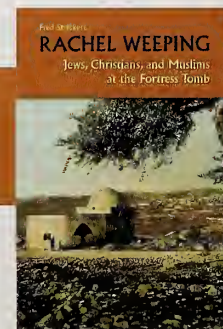
Why do You Want to be a Teacher
Mark Buls '68
PublishAmerica
ISBN: 978-1424108367

Buls offers a collection of stories about teaching in schools from Vietnam to Kansas.



Bullwinkle on Business: Motivational Secrets of a Chief Executive Moose
John Hoover '72
St. Martin's Press

The author of more than 12 books, this book offers wisdom from the iconic cartoon character.



Rachel Weeping: Jews, Christians and Muslims at the Fortress Tomb
Dr. Fred Strickert, professor of religion and co-director of Global and Multicultural Studies
Liturgical Press
ISBN: 978-0-8146-5987-8

This book examines the nature and significance of Rachel's story and the story of her tomb.

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KARALYN AANENSON is a graduate student at University of Maryland at Baltimore.

NATALIE ANDERSON, Cedar Rapids, Iowa, is a treasury analyst with GreatAmerica Leasing Corporation.

STEPHANIE AREY is a kindergarten teacher at Platteville Elementary School, Platteville, Colo.

LUCAS ASHLAND is a trader with Assent LLC, Hoboken, N.J.

CASSIDY BAILEY is a 6-12 grade vocal music teacher with the Tripoli Community School District, Tripoli, Iowa.

JAY BALEK and **LAUREN SEMLER**, Waterloo, Iowa, were married July 21. Jay is in client services with Mudd Advertising, Cedar Falls, Iowa.

CAYLA BARESEL is a field organizer with the Hillary Clinton Campaign, Waterloo, Iowa.

MARCIA BERGMAN is an instrumental music director with the AGWSR Community Schools, Ackley, Iowa.

JEANETTE BIDNE is in the M.Div. program at Luther Seminary, St. Paul, Minn.

TRACY BJOIN, Burnsville, Minn., is a Spanish teacher at South St. Paul Senior High School, St. Paul.

MARK BOCKENSTEDT and **MARIE ZITELMAN**, Ames, Iowa, were married July 14.

MANO BRADFIELD, Waterloo, Iowa, is a credit manager with Wells Fargo.

RACHEL BRINCKS, Ames, Iowa, is studying veterinary medicine at Iowa State University.

JUSTIN BROWN, Texarkana, Texas, is studying for his M.B.A. at Texas A&M.

BRIAN BUNCE, Tripoli, Iowa, is a planner buyer with Terex Cranes North America, Waverly.

KELSEA CANNON and **JOSH STEPHENSON**, Des Moines, Iowa, were married July 21. Kelsea is a Doctor of Physical Therapy student at Des Moines University.

REDA CHESTER, Des Moines, Iowa, is a personal trainer with the Aspen Athletic Club, West Des Moines.

LAUREN CHRISTENSEN, Marion, Iowa, is a supervisor with RuffaloCODY, Anamosa. She also is an independent marketing consultant with the Rice Lake School District, Rice Lake, Wis.

ANDREA CHRISTIAN is studying for her M.Div. at Lutheran Theological Seminary at Gettysburg, Gettysburg, Pa.

MEGAN CLAUSEN is the director of youth ministry at St. John's Lutheran Church, Des Moines, Iowa.

CODY CONRAD is a financial institution specialist (bank examiner) with the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, Cedar Rapids, Iowa.

CALI COOK, Arvada, Colo., is an audit staff with GHP Horwath, Denver.

DANNY CORKEN, LaCrosse, Wis., is the creative support/project manager with Harvest Moon Advertising.

MEGAN CRESS, Center Point, Iowa, is with Four Oaks in family environment (adoption/foster care), Cedar Rapids.

MICHAEL DANA, West Des Moines, Iowa, is a fifth grade teacher at Lawson Elementary School with the Johnston Community School District, Johnston.

JENNA DENSTAD is a message therapy student at the Institute of Therapeutic Massage and Wellness, Davenport, Iowa.

ERIC DeROO, Iowa City, Iowa, is a medical student at University of Iowa Carver College of Medicine.

JENNA DODD, Batavia, Ill., is an art teacher at Rotolo Middle School.

SUZY DRILLING and Joe Cousin, Waverly, Iowa, were married Sept. 1. Suzy is an admissions representative with Hamilton College, Cedar Falls.

STACEY EHLINGER, Denver, Colo., is a program assistant with The Arrangers.

KIRA ELLIOTT is an English teacher in China with Amity Foundation/Church World Service.

JOSHUA EVANOVICH is an assistant music editor with GIA Publications, Inc., Chicago, Ill.

DEIDRE FALDET, Burnsville, Minn., is a personal trainer with Life Time Fitness, Savage.

MEGAN FIKE is studying for her M.S.W. at St. Ambrose University, Davenport, Iowa.

ERICA FINKEN is a graduate student at University of Minnesota, Minneapolis.

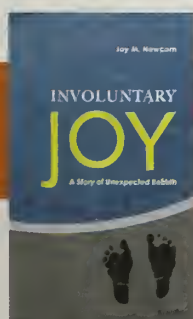
CHELSEA FORBROOK is an arts developer with Redeemer Center for Life, Minneapolis, Minn.

CAROLE FOX, Waverly, Iowa, is a teacher with the Little Learner's Preschool and Day Care.

RYAN GRANCHALEK, Folsom, Calif., is a demand analyst with Intel Corporation.

ERIN GRANDGENETT, Johnston, Iowa, is a government affairs analyst with Pioneer.

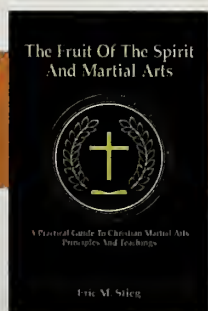
ELIZABETH GREGG is a graduate student at University of Minnesota, Minneapolis.



Involuntary Joy: A Story of Unexpected Rebirth

Joy M. Newcom '86
JoyMark! Books
ISBN: 978-0979741807

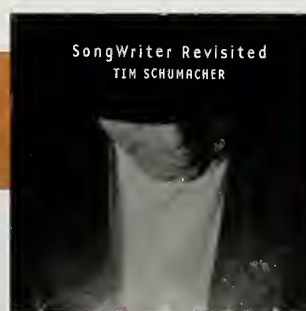
In this memoir, Newcom describes the spiritual and identity struggles she experienced in defining her role as mother of a disabled child.



The Fruit of the Spirit and Martial Arts: A Practical Guide to Christian Martial Arts Principles and Teachings

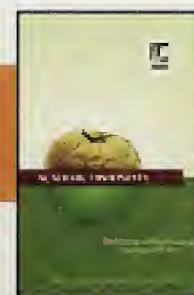
Eric Stieg '93
Fifth Estate
ISBN: 978-0976099253

Stieg wrote this book to help students and instructors tie Christian beliefs to the practice of martial arts.



SongWriter Revisited Timothy Schumacher '69 Turquoise Rose Records

Schumacher wrote and performed this collection, which features several Nashville artists on instrumentals and background vocals.



Academic Dishonesty: Developing and Implementing Institutional Policy

Dennis Bricault '80
American Association of College Registrars and Admissions Officers

This guide defines the types and range of academic dishonesty, examines its causes, analyzes legal issues and provides procedural guidance.

KNIGHTS IN THE NEWS

DARRELL GRIGGS, Waverly, Iowa, is an Americorp/VISTA volunteer with ISED Ventures/Barnabus Uplife, Waterloo.

CARA GUESS is a medical student at Des Moines (Iowa) University.

AARON HAGEN is a sports reporter for the *Worthington Daily Globe*, Worthington, Minn.



KRISTINA HAGEN is a public health and health care administration graduate student at Des Moines (Iowa) University.

HOLLY HANSEN is executive administrative assistant with The Hatch Group, Rockford Ill.

JUSTIN HARKEN, Cedar Falls, Iowa, is a lab analyst with TestAmerica.

JANEL HARMS is the instrumental music teacher with the West Hancock Community Schools, Britt, Iowa.

ADAM HARRINGA, Grundy Center, Iowa, is the news editor with *The Grundy Center Register*.

CHELSIE HEETLAND, Waterloo, Iowa, is a buyer with Foster's, Inc.

LUCAS HELLING and TARAH MULDER, Cedar Rapids, Iowa, were married Aug. 4. Lucas is an account executive trainee at McLeodUSA, Hiawatha. Tarah is a physical therapy assistant at Kirkwood Community College.

KATELYN HEMINGSON, Cedar Rapids, Iowa, is a production assistant with KCRG/Gazette Communications.

CATHRYN HENNING is studying for her M.S.W. at St. Ambrose University, Davenport, Iowa.

JENI HILL, Minneapolis, Minn., is a communications and development intern with Redeemer Center for Life.

HONATHAN HINKE is a chemical physics student at University of Minnesota, Minneapolis.

STEPHANIE HOWE, LeClaire, Iowa, is a third grade teacher at Pleasant Valley Community Schools.

KORY HUMMEL and LACI FOLKERTS, Winterset, Iowa, were married Nov. 17, 2006. Laci is a kindergarten teacher with the Nodaway Valley School District, Greenfield.

ANDREW HUMMER is a logistics coordinator with CRST, Cedar Rapids, Iowa.

VALERIE HUSBYN, Aurora, Colo., is a sixth grade teacher with Elizabeth Middle School, Elizabeth.

PATRICK JOHNSON, Marion, Iowa, is a financial analyst with the Strellner Agency with Aegon Life Investors, Cedar Rapids.

LUCY JOSEPH is a graduate student at University of Iowa, Iowa City.

KARIE JUST is a staff accountant with Kiesling and Associates, West Des Moines, Iowa.

KELLI KENNON is a journalism teacher at West Branch (Iowa) High School.

VERN KLOBAASA, Macomb, Ill., is a graduate student at Western Illinois University.

MICHELLE KNUDSEN is a first grade teacher at St. Vincent de Paul School, Denver, Colo.

LISA KORBY, Helena, Mont., is an Americorps/VISTA volunteer with RMDC Head Start. She coordinates Head Start's efforts to build capacity in its parent education offerings in the tri-county area.

ERIN KRUGER is an English teacher at the Mount Pleasant Community High School, Mount Pleasant, Iowa.

KATY KUESTER, Van Horne, Iowa, is an inside sales representative with Yellow Book USA, Cedar Rapids.

KATIEJO KUHENS, Madison, Wis., is completing a one-year internship in the athletic communications department with University of Wisconsin-Madison. She is in charge of the media guides, game notes, game recaps and stats for softball, men's and women's golf and men's and women's swimming teams and assisting with the volleyball team.

BLAKE LAHMANN is a production supervisor with Hormel Foods, Austin, Minn.

BRETT LEGVOLD is a law student at University of Kansas, Lawrence, Kan.

TARA LEWIN, Cedar Rapids, is a research consultant associate with Frank N. Magid Associates, Inc., Marion.

KATIE LENERS is a first grade teacher with the Waverly-Shell Rock Community Schools, Waverly, Iowa.

PHILIP LONG, Jackson, Minn., is the children's youth and family director at Our Savior's Lutheran Church.

CASEY LUENSMANN is a photographer at KCRG-TV 9, Cedar Rapids, Iowa.

CALLAN MARTIN, Hedrick, Iowa, is studying for his doctorate of chiropractic and master's degree in sports rehabilitation at Logan College of Chiropractic, Chesterfield, Mo.

ELSA MAY is a graduate student at University of Sydney, New South Wales, Australia.

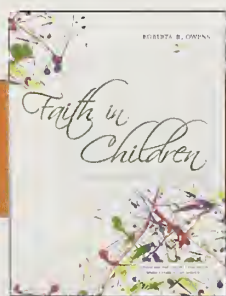
BRYAN McCARTY, Cedar Falls, Iowa, is a writer with Mathis, Earnest and Vandeventer.

KATIE MEYER is a graduate student at Roosevelt University, Chicago, Ill.

DIANA MULLINS and Darin Rich, Washington, Iowa, were married June 16. Diana is an executive team leader with the Target Corporation.

KATHRYN NELSON is a graduate student at University of Northern Iowa, Cedar Falls.

JENNA NEUMAN is with Allied Insurance, Des Moines, Iowa.



Faith in Children: Stories from Faith-Based Children's Centers

The Rev. Dr. Nelson Meyer '64 and other writers
Providence House
ISBN: 978-1-57736-385-9

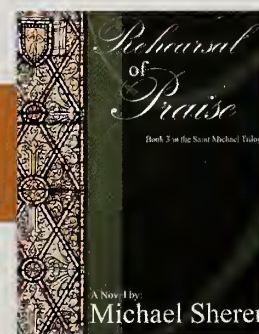
This collection offers stories from more than 20 educators, clergy members and parents.



Samuel Coleridge-Taylor: 24 Negro Melodies, Opus 59

David Shaffer-Gottschalk '77, pianist
Albany Records

This two CD set includes the complete *Opus 59* for piano solo, which represent the first use of African and African-American music for solo classical performance.



A Rehearsal of Praise: A Novel

Michael Sherer '67
PublishAmerica
ISBN: 978-1424168224

This book marks the third and final book in the St. Michael Trilogy.

KNIGHTS IN THE NEWS

NICK NOBLE is a law student at Drake University, Des Moines, Iowa.

RYAN OLSEM is a test engineer with Intermec Technologies, Cedar Rapids, Iowa.

MEG OLSEN, Perry, Iowa, is a fifth grade special education teacher at Perry Community Schools.

ALEX OLSON is a sixth grade teacher with the Benton Community Schools, Norway, Iowa.

MARIA OSTERHAUS, Iowa City, Iowa, is a graduate student at University of Iowa.

SHIRGERU OTA is a controller at the headquarters of Mimaki Engineering Company, Tomi City, Nagano, Japan.

SETH OTT is a credit manager with Wells Fargo Financial, Johnston, Iowa.

JODIE PEARSON is an actuarial analyst with Watson Wyatt Worldwide, Arlington, Va.

JUSTIN PETERS is a biochemistry and molecular biology student at the Mayo Graduate School, Rochester, Minn.

NATE PETERS, Cedar Falls, Iowa, is an accountant with Peters Construction Corp., Waterloo.

CASSIDY PETERSON, LeClaire, Iowa, is a high school science teacher with the Clinton Community School District, Clinton.

SARAH PETERSON is studying for her Doctor of Optometry degree at Illinois College of Optometry, Chicago, Ill.

JULIE PHILIPP, Greeley, Iowa, is an inside sales/marketing associate with Bradco, McMillen, The Major, Delhi.

LAURA PIRKL is an occupational therapy student at Washington University in St. Louis, Mo.

MATTHEW POPOWSKI is a publicist with Fentress Bradburn Architects, Denver, Colo.

LYDIA POSSELT and Beau Nelson, Lauderdale, Minn., were married July 7. Lydia is studying for her M.Div. at Luther Seminary, St. Paul, Minn.

PAUL REEDY, Waverly, Iowa, is in sales at Jerry Roling Motors.

TRACI ROBINSON is a personal trainer with Fitness World West, West Des Moines, Iowa.

SARAH RODILOSSO is a second grade teacher with the Murray Community School District, Murray, Iowa.

MEGAN ROLAND is an occupational therapy student at Washington University in St. Louis, St. Louis, Mo.

KYLE ROUSE, Chicago, Ill., is a department manager with Sports Authority.

MEG RYAN, Galesburg, Ill., is an admission counselor with Knox College.

ANDREA SCHILTZ, Waverly, Iowa, is a marketing director with State Bank and Trust.

MARK SCHIPPER is an engineer with Gilmor & Doyle, Ltd., Waterloo, Iowa.

DARREN SCHMITT, West Union, Iowa, is a math teacher at the Sumner-Fredericksburg Middle School, Fredericksburg.

ALECIA SCHOONOVER, Independence, Iowa, is a middle and high school physical education teacher at East Buchanan Community Schools. She is coaching middle school girls' volleyball and basketball.

AUDRA SCHUTTE is a graduate student at Indiana University, Bloomington.

JULIE SCHWEINFURTH is a graduate student at Northwestern University, Chicago, Ill.

CHRISTINA SCHIPPER studying for her Master of Music degree at University of New Mexico, Albuquerque.

JESSICA SCHULTZ and Josh Waller, Muscatine, Iowa, were married June 30.

KATHRYN SCHWARTZKOPF is an occupational therapy student at Rockhurst University, Kansas City, Mo.

JILL SEEBA, St. Paul, Minn., is an actuarial analyst with Securian Financial Group.

RAJIV SHARMA, Waverly, Iowa, is a research analyst with Real Estate Research Corporation.

CODY SMITH is a territory manager with Mudd Advertising, Cedar Falls, Iowa.

KARIN SMITH is a music therapist with Iowa Hospice, Johnston, Iowa.

CHELSEA SPANGLER, Hjeltestad, Norway, is studying ethnomusic at Fana Folkehogskule.

ERIN SPONHEIM is a sixth grade teacher with the Waverly-Shell Rock Community Schools, Waverly, Iowa.

RYAN STEFFEN is a certified personal trainer with LifeTime Fitness, Lakeville, Minn.

BETHANY WICKRE TANGEN, Pella, Iowa, is a sixth grade science teacher with the Pella Community School District.

NOEL TARIMO, Milwaukee, Wis., is an IT consultant and department trainer with Manpower International.

CRYSTAL TEWS is a nursing-accelerated B.S.N. student at Creighton University, Omaha, Neb.

SCOTT TJEERDSMA is a fourth grade teacher with the Pella Community School District, Pella, Iowa.

KRISTIN UNDERWOOD, Cedar Falls, Iowa, is the assistant director of e-commerce sales and marketing with Digital Dog Pound, Inc., Waverly.

TYLER URICH is a K-12 grade vocal music teacher with the North Kossuth Community School District, Swea City, Iowa.

DAVID VARNEY, Chicago, Ill., is studying for his Doctor of Optometry degree at Illinois College of Optometry.

LAUREN VINCENT, St. Louis, Mo., is studying for her M.S.W. at Saint Louis University.

BRANDON VINZANT, Davenport, Iowa, is studying for his Doctor of Chiropractic degree at the Palmer College of Chiropractic.

MATT VOIGTS, Clarion, Iowa, had his 12-minute film, *My Friend Death*, shown at the first Iowa Independent Film Festival in Mason City. His was one of 44 films shown, ranging from features to documentaries.

DAVID VOVES, Ionia, Iowa, is a high school math teacher with the Charles City Community School District, Charles City.

JILL WAGAMAN is a social psychology student at Montana State University, Bozeman, Mont.

LYNNEA WALKER is an English teacher with the Amity Foundation, China.

KEVIN WALLER, Lemmon, S.D., is a 5-12 grade music teacher with the Miller Area School District, Miller.



GINA WEBER, Waterloo, Iowa, is with Mudd Advertising, Cedar Falls.

JASON WELSTEAD is an aerospace engineering student at Auburn (Ala.) University.

KATE WESTERGARD, Swisher, Iowa, is a graphic designer with Adfinity Marketing Group, Cedar Rapids.

RYAN WHITMAN is sixth grade teacher with Sioux Central Community Schools, Sioux Rapids, Iowa.

MALLORY WILLEMS, Davenport, Iowa, is an admissions counselor at St. Ambrose University.

BUD WINTER, Waverly, Iowa, is a territory manager with Mudd Advertising, Cedar Falls.

MATTHEW WRAGE, Des Moines, Iowa, is an applications engineer with American Packaging Corporation, Story City.

ERIN WRIGHT, Denver, Colo., is a medical anthropology and sustainable development student at University of Colorado-Denver.

MELANIE WULFEKUHL, Davenport, Iowa, is band director for Assumption High School.

ERIN YODER, Mapleton, Iowa, is a high school science teacher with the Maple Valley and Anthon-Oto Community School Districts.

RACHEL YOUNG is a medical student at University of Iowa Carver College of Medicine, Iowa City.

TREVIS YOUNG, Lawrence, Kan., is studying for his Master of Music degree at University of Kansas.

In Memoriam



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The Rev. **LEO G. MOENCH**, Sioux Falls, S.D., died after a brief illness April 23, 2006, at the Avera Prince of Peace Nursing Home. After graduating from Wartburg Theological Seminary in 1939, he was a U.S. Army chaplain during World War II and went on to parish ministry. He was active in the U.S. Army Reserve and Wisconsin National Guard, retiring with the rank of Lieutenant Colonel. In 1970, he was awarded the George Washington Honor Medal. He retired in 1980.

EMMA L. CORNELIUS KRUGER, Waverly, Iowa, died Aug. 17 at Bartels Lutheran Retirement Community. She, her husband and other family members formed Cornelius Hybrid Seed Corn Company. She worked as financial secretary at St. Paul's Lutheran Church for 23 years.

1937

The Rev. **CARL R. SCHULZ**, Spokane, Wash., died July 16, 2006. Schulz graduated from Wartburg Theological Seminary and was ordained June 23, 1940. He served as a U.S. Navy chaplain for three years and went on to parish ministry. He retired at 65 and went on to serve 10 years as a visitation pastor.

The Rev. **ERICH A. HOEFER**, Tempe, Ariz., died July 23. He was founding pastor of several churches and founding chair of the Board of the Navajo Evangelical Lutheran Mission. He also served numerous national church boards and was a member of the merger committee that formed the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America.

1938

The Rev. **KENNETH J. HODUM**, Milbank, S.D., died May 11 at the Golden Living Center. He graduated from Wartburg Theological Seminary in Dubuque and was ordained in 1941. He served churches in several states.

1939

FREDA A. PRULL SUCHSLAND, Waverly, Iowa, died March 9 at Bartels Lutheran Retirement Community. Before retiring in 1985, she was a longtime employee of the City of Marion's engineering office.

1941

The Rev. **GILBERT J. MEYER**, Wausau, Wis., died June 6 at home in the care of Aspirus Comfort Care and Hospice Services. After graduating from Hebron Junior College, Wartburg and Wartburg Theological Seminary, he served as an ordained pastor for 63 years, including 20 at St. Stephen Lutheran Church in Wausau. He retired in 1979 and continued to help other churches until 1997. He served the former American Lutheran Church in many capacities.

1943

HELEN M. LOOTS STUBENVOLL, Green Lake, Wis., died April 6 at Kindred Hearts. After graduation and marriage in 1945, she taught grade school in Pepin and Ripon.

1944

DOROTHY PICHELMAYER FRATZKE TROXELL, Davenport, Iowa, died Dec. 11, 2005 at Good Samaritan Center. She was secretary to the plant manager at Ralston Purina for 29 years, retiring in 1985. She was a member of Zion Lutheran Church and the Chamber of Commerce.

SYDNEY H. BRASE, Lynnwood, Wash., died May 20 after a 2 1/2 year battle with lymphoma.

1945

LOIS E. PILGRIM FRAME, Coalinga, Calif., died of a stroke June 8, 2006. After attending Wartburg, she graduated in 1953 from Colorado Teachers College and moved to Coalinga, where she taught third grade.

1946

HELENE HAEFNER MEYER, Mendota, Ill., died May 29 at Mendota Lutheran Home. She earned a Master of Library Science degree from University of Minnesota. She was a member of St. John's Lutheran Church.

1947

MARGARET RICHMANN UNGER, West Alexandria, Ohio, died June 16 at Good Samaritan Hospital. She received her master's degree in library science from Miami University in 1974 and retired after 30 years with the West Alexandria and Lanier School Districts. She was a 40-plus year choir member at her church and an active community volunteer.

1948

JOAN SANDROCK KOCH, Waverly, Iowa, died from complications of cancer Aug. 8 at Bartels Lutheran Retirement Community. She taught English, speech and developmental reading. She was also active in her church choir and women's group and served on the parish school board of education.

1949

The Rev. **WALTER F. DANNEMAN**, Coarsegold, Calif., died Feb. 11, 2005. He was associate pastor at Mariposa Lutheran Church. He was a driver/narrator at the Mariposa Grove of the Giant Sequoia trees in Yosemite National Park for 15 years and was once a U.S. National Guard chaplain.

MAYNARD G. "M.G." SAUTTER, New Brighton, Minn., died from a stroke May 20. After serving in the U.S. Navy during World War II, he graduated from Wartburg. He taught school, worked as an office and sales manager for Refrigeration Engineering and then as editor, consultant and vice president of Employers Association. He published seven books, one of which was awarded the Gold Dust Cover by the Chicago Public Library Association. He used to the proceeds to endow two Wartburg scholarships.

The Rev. Dr. ROBERT "BOB"

GRONLUND, West Palm Beach, Fla., died Sept. 9 after a long illness. He graduated from Wartburg and Wartburg Theological Seminary in Dubuque after serving with the 89th Infantry in Europe during World War II. He was awarded the Combat Infantry Badge and Bronze Star. He received his Ph.D. from the University of Southern California School of Religion. He served in many positions at various universities. He formed the fundraising firm of Gronlund Sayther Brunkow in 1976 and retired in 2006.

1950

Dr. **CARL R. MORGAN**, Greenville, N.C., died Nov. 5, 2006. He was professor emeritus of anatomy at East Carolina University.

1951

ALFRED C. KOCH, Waverly, Iowa, died of complications of a blood clot March 3. Koch worked for 30 years at what is now CUNA Mutual Life Insurance. He was preceded in death by his wife, Mardella, a former Wartburg staff member, Feb. 19.

RUTH OTTERSBERG MINER,

Madison, Wis., died May 31. She was the daughter Gerhard Ottersberg, who taught at Wartburg for 50 years. Before marrying, she taught first grade and kindergarten in Ackley and Charles City.

1952

GORDON F. PEHLKE, Tucson, Ariz., died July 2. He served in the U.S. Navy during World War II and went on to earn a master's degree at University of Arizona. He worked as a paint salesman and teacher and was active in church work.

1953

WALTER J. SPURBECK Jr., Newell, Iowa, died Feb. 26 at Loring Hospital. He taught social studies, history and physical education for many years and was athletic director and assistant principal at the Newell Community School, retiring in 1994. In 1995 he was named to the Iowa High School Athletic Association Hall of Fame.

1955

DELOYD HOCHSTETTER, Minneapolis, Minn., died June 13. He was a respected teacher in the Anoka school system for many years.

JAMES A. MATTKE, Nevada, Iowa, died of complications from knee replacement surgery Aug. 27. He retired after 35 years as business teacher, where he also served as coach for 10 years and athletic director for 21 years. He was a charter member of the Iowa High School Athletic Association, was elected in 1993 to the Iowa High School Athletic Director's Hall of Fame and in 2002 to the Nevada High School Hall of Fame.

1956

NANCY RAE MEIER DIECK, Appleton, Wis., died June 20. She was a longtime elementary school teacher in Iowa and Wisconsin.

RUDOLPH "RUDY"

INSELMANN, Costa Mesa, Calif., died July 6 from complications of surgery. He earned a master's degree at Indiana University and a doctorate from the University of Southern California in organ and sacred music. He also studied at Capital Bible Seminary and was an ordained Lutheran pastor. He taught at colleges and private pupils.

1957

TERRY FRIDLEY, San Antonio, Texas, died Sept. 30, 1998.

ARLITA J. INGWESON ORTH, Jesup, Iowa, died Feb. 17 following a lengthy illness. She taught in Waterloo, Gilbertville and Jesup, retiring in 1998.

GILES S. CARD, Knoxville, Iowa, died March 17 at Knoxville Area Community Hospital. Following his graduation from Wartburg and University of Dubuque Seminary, he served as pastor in various Presbyterian churches. He also established and operated Card's Carpet Cleaning Service, was a driver for Continental Trailways and wrote a book on computers.

GENEVIEVE HVITVED

HANSON, Waverly, Iowa, died of cancer July 7 at Bartels Lutheran Retirement Community. She graduated from Wartburg at age 43 and earned a master's degree from the University of Northern Iowa. She did postgraduate work at University of Vienna in Austria. She taught high school English and German in Plainfield for 20 years. Following her retirement, she spent five years in the Philippines as a volunteer teacher in a Christian high school.

1960

MARY ANN GEYER ZABEL,

Omaha, Neb., died July 4 after a 19-year battle with breast cancer. She retired after serving 25 years as payroll clerk at Kellogg's.

BEVERLY A. IMM HEALY,

Calimesa, Calif., died at her home Aug. 6 of cancer. She taught elementary school for 18 years and home-schooled her son.

1961

ELEANOR SCHIERMEYER,

Minneapolis, Minn., died Feb. 5. She graduated in 1959 from the Mary Lanning School of Nursing. She taught at hospitals in Iowa and Minnesota, retiring in 2004. She enjoyed traveling, sewing and music and was an active member of her church.

1966

ROBERT J. HUMMEL, Allison, Iowa, died March 30 at Waverly Health Center. A lifelong farmer,

he was also devoted to musical ministry. He served as church choir director for 32 years and was a member of the River City Barbershop Chorus in Mason City.

1967

DAVID ZIMMERMAN, Hancock, Mich., died unexpectedly May 26 at home. He served as the branch office director of Catholic Charities from 1977 until his recent retirement.

1968

RACHEL J. MUELLER MOEWS,

Ackley, Iowa, died July 31 after a six-year battle with cancer. She received her B.A. from UNI and M.A. from Drake in 2000. She taught at AGWSR for 21 years and served as principal at West Bend-Mallard for four, retiring in 2004. In 2007 she volunteered to fill a vacant seat on the AGWSR School Board and served until health problems caused her to resign.

1969

DONALD F. GIPPLE

, Windsor,

Colo., died May 24 at Medical Center of the Rockies. He received his master's degree in chemistry at Central Michigan University. He served in the U.S. Army for four years, including 18 months in Vietnam, where he was awarded a Bronze Star. He worked for the Environmental Protection Agency, Weston Laboratories and was owner of Gulf Coast Laboratories and Paragon Laboratory. He

also invented the "Hit-n-Stik," distributed under Donik Sports.

1970

MYRTLE HEUSMAN SYLVESTER,

Grosse Pointe Woods, Mich., died June 10 at St. John's Hospital in Detroit. She taught in northeast Iowa for 30 years, beginning after high school when she became a teacher in rural schools. She earned a degree from Wartburg after putting her two children through college. She taught sixth grade for 22 years. After retiring in 1985, she remained active as a church parish education associate until the onset of Alzheimer's disease.

1971

Dr. GLEN MIELING, West Chester, Ohio, died Feb. 23, 2002. He was a staff chemist with Procter & Gamble.

1980

RICHARD "RICK" VOGEL,

Marshalltown, Iowa, died March 21. He graduated from the Dallas Institute of Mortuary Science. He has worked in, owned and/or operated funeral homes in Iowa and Indiana. He was also active in his church, Marshalltown Rotary Club, Ducks Unlimited, Marshall County I-Club and Elks, Moose and Masonic lodges.

1982

PATRICIA LYNN YOUNT, Nora Springs, Iowa, died Aug. 24 at Osage Rehabilitation and Health Care Center of complications

following a lengthy illness. She was a teacher in various Iowa schools. At her death she was a part-time bookkeeper and substitute teacher.

1986

MICHAEL D. BLAIR, Chicago, Ill., died June 9 at Gottlieb Memorial Hospital after a sudden illness. Affectionately known as "Bulldog" to his friends, worked at Morton's Steak House in Rosemont, Ill., for the past 10 years.

1987

JOHN S. GARTLEY, Waunakee, Wis., died Jan. 14, 2006. He received an A.A. in 1985 from Hawkeye Institute of Technology and worked for TCI Cable, Iowa Laser Technology and L.A. Darling in Sun Prairie, Wis.

1989

KURT D. CHRISTENSEN, West Fargo, N.D., died July 14. Prior to his illness, he was employed at Case New Holland in Fargo and a member of Union LL2525 IAM & AW.

1992

LORI A. STUBENVOLL, Marinette, Wis., died May 15, 2005.

2005

MARK KNOWLER, Delta, Iowa, died March 24 in a car accident. He farmed with his father.

FACULTY/STAFF

ROMILDA CLEFISCH, Moorhead, Minn., died Dec. 16, 2006 at Eventide Lutheran Home. She worked in maintenance at Wartburg.

GLEN E. SWANSON, Waverly, Iowa, died Aug. 17 from complications of lung cancer. After receiving his master's degree from State College of Iowa (UNI), he taught art in the Waverly-Shell Rock schools for 21 years. He taught summer school at Wartburg in 1973 and 1974.

ASSOCIATE ALUMNI ASSOCIATION MEMBERS

KEITH S. NOAH, Charles City, Iowa, died Aug. 31 at Mercy Medical Center, Mason City. He served the Wartburg Board of Regents from 1976-1992. He was a U.S. Army Air Corps cryptographer during World War II. He earned a J.D. at University of Iowa and practiced law from 1948 until shortly before his death. He was a past member of the Iowa Bar Association Board of Governors and served as a director of First Security Bank and Trust Company and Cedar Valley Bankshares, Ltd. In 1969 he was appointed by Iowa Gov. Robert D. Ray as the first chair of the Higher Education Facilities Commission. Among survivors are son Steven '71 (Jane '72) Noah, and granddaughter Mariah '02 (Aaron '01) Collmann.

Scofield honored as 'Insurance Legend'

Oscar "Ozzie" Scofield '60 of Winston-Salem, N.C., was honored at the inaugural ReFocus Conference and Insurance Legends Golf Classic Tournament.

The March 4 event was hosted by the Actuarial Foundation. Scofield, who has more than 40 years of distinguished experience in the insurance industry and continued involvement with academia, was honored as an "Insurance Legend."

His humble beginnings sweeping the floors of Lutheran Mutual Life led his career to a number of companies, where he served in roles including president of Monogram Reassurance; president, CEO and director of General Re; vice president-sales of Transamerica Re; and chairman and CEO of Scottish Re.

Now retired, Scofield remains active. He continues to provide leadership to Scottish Re. He is also a longtime member of the Wartburg Board of

Regents. In addition, he promotes the insurance profession by mentoring Risk Management and Insurance students at Appalachian College.

His passion for motorcycles has earned him a place on the Board of Directors of the American Motorcycle Heritage Foundation, the directing body of the Motorcycle Hall of Fame. He plans to take a three-week cross country tour of the United States via motorcycle.

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Dec. 9

December Commencement

10:30 a.m.

Candlelight Services

5 and 7 p.m.

All events at Wartburg Chapel.

Feb. 21-23

Opera Workshop

7 p.m.

McCaskey Lyceum

The event showcases the work of Wartburg music majors.

Commencement Ceremony 2008

The 156th annual Wartburg College

Commencement Ceremony

is scheduled for May 28.

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for details.

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Chendu, China

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Garwin, Iowa



Scenic landing

Dr. Ken Narducy '67 took this photo of a hot air balloon on its way to making an unexpected landing near his Reno, Nev., home. The crew and balloon were fine, though no one made an apology for the balloon's flagrant display of the Luther College colors.

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